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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 10% or $1.50 per Share, declared at the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders, held this day, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after MONDAY, the 8th February, 1904.
Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.
T. ARNOLD, *Secretary.*
Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 258

THE SECOND ANNUAL SHOW OF FANCY AND OTHER PIGEONS.
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J. D. LOGAN, *Director.*
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KOWLOON, February 8, 1904. 218

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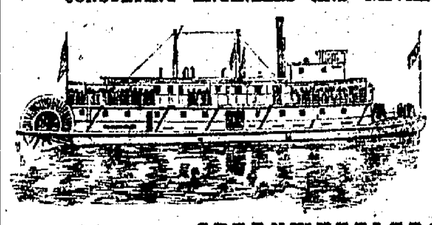
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 13th February, 1904, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 27, 1904. 177

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Pedder's Street, at 12.30 P.M., on WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 30, 1904. 202

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS called for Tuesday, the 9th February, is hereby POSTPONED until FRIDAY, the 12TH FEBRUARY, at 5 P.M. in the CRICKET PAVILION.

The following Resolutions will be proposed:—

1. That a New Pavilion be erected forthwith in the North-West Corner of the Cricket Ground at a total cost not exceeding $20,000.
2. That the plans of Messrs DENISON, RAM & GIBBS be accepted.
3. That the Tender of KING TAK CHEONG be accepted.
4. That the sum required be raised by the issue of 6 per cent Debentures of the face value of $50 each, repayable in 10 yearly drawings commencing on 31st October, 1905.
5. That Rule 16 be amended by substituting $15 for $10.

By Order,
A. G. WARD,
Secretary

Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 248

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of FEBRUARY, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1903.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
(Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 29, 1904. 204

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of SHARES of this Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the Sixth, to the 20th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
(Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 29, 1904. 205

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 22ND FEBRUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong February 1, 1904. 209

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

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8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m...Every 10 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m...Every 10 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m...Every 15 minutes.

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9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m...Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m...Every 15 minutes.
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THE FISCAL QUESTION.

To the Editor of the 'China Mail.'

Hongkong, February 1.

SIR,—Your correspondent 'D' is under a wrong impression if he thinks that the Officials in England are against the inquiry into the state of the trade of Great Britain. Every speech that has been made and every discussion that has taken place have been based on the returns of trade given by the Board of Trade.

It was the Government that gave instructions to the Board of Trade to furnish the country with returns, as detailed as possible, of the trade carried on by Great Britain with the Colonies and with foreign nations, and of the competition Great Britain had to bear at the hands of foreign enterprise and dumping.

The Liberals and Free-fooders are the people opposed to inquiry, for they seem to be playing a losing game, and feel that if further inquiries are made into the trade of the country, Free-Trade and Free-Food will be hanged as sure as anything, and as things stand at present it would appear that they undoubtedly will be.

The Report that His Majesty had informed Mr Balfour that Mr Chamberlain in conflict with the prerogative of the Crown in appointing a commission to discuss duties to be levied in the event of his policy being accepted by the country, must be taken, *cum grano salis*, till the same is confirmed.

Some five months ago, the Opposition papers spread the report that His Majesty had expressed his opinion to Mr Balfour that (the King) was a confirmed Free-Trader. I think it was the Editor of a Gloucestershire paper who petitioned the King praying him that his subjects be informed whether the report was correct. The report was officially contradicted, and the reply to the Editor was to the effect that His Majesty expressed opinions of policy only through his responsible Ministers.

The fact that the Duke of Devonshire is a Free-Fooder and Lord Rosebery a Free-Trader would certainly give the Opposition every reason to believe that these two great personages would influence His Majesty to interfere with the freedom of Mr Chamberlain, who is only trying to convince the working classes that protection may give them a smaller loaf but a better loaf; and he wants the masters to be convinced of their own accord that protection would be to their advantage.

During the great Engineer Strike, I remember that in the course of a conversation I had with a large employer of labour I asked him whether he sided with the masters or with the workers. He replied to me: 'Personally, I am with the masters, but my business compels me to side with the worker.' 'I have many Government Contracts,' he said, 'and if I side with the masters I shall be compelled to lock the men out. I have granted the eight hours they claim for the wage of ten hours, but if the masters carry the day, competition will compel me to abide by their decision and the workers will have to be satisfied with ten hours pay for ten hours work.'

There are many masters who are now in the same position in respect to the Fiscal Policy. They are waiting for the result of Mr Chamberlain's further inquiry, and as soon as the result is known they will decide which side to take.

The Opposition, thus far, have only declaimed the trade of Great Britain to be in a prosperous condition, though they say there are 13,000,000 people on the verge of starvation (nearly a third of the nation!), and Lord Rosebery, who has always been claimed to make a speech and to contradict it next morning, has even excelled his own record by contradicting his speech the same night, as he did in Edinburgh where, at the Empire Theatre, he told the agriculturists that the 2/-tax offered by Mr Chamberlain ought to be increased to be effective but that he *did not think it would be increased*, and at the Synod Hall, a few minutes after, told the workmen that if the 2/-tax were enacted *it would be increased*, as had been the case in France and Germany.

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The powerful advocacy of Mr Chamberlain and his efforts on behalf of the Colonies, who one and all concur with his policy, have advanced the question of protection and preference to a stage from which it cannot set back. The nation is roused, somebody must be hanged:—Will it be Protection? No, Protection is for this generation a new baby which, if properly nursed, might grow into a giant. Will it be Free-Trade? Most likely, it gave us the dumps and we don't want them any longer. Free-Food will die a natural death.

If there is a man who thinks that Protection will not in time be the policy of England, I will not say he is a maniac, but I will say that he can see no further than to-morrow. If protection is adopted in England, as it will be, and as the Greater Colonies will demand preference, are we doing anything to secure that preference in the event of it being offered to us?—Yours faithfully,

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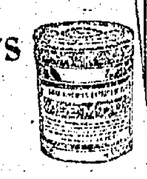
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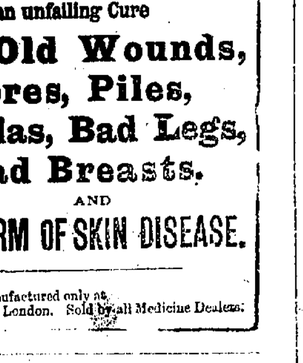
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Vestal	sloop	980	10	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Farquhar	Formosa
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. A. B. Barker	Hongkong
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	In Reserve	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Somerville	Hankow
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Wason	Yangtze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Cyprian A. G. Bridge, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

† Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported
Aspern	Austrian cruiser	962	—	—	Capt. Friedrich Grinzonberzen	Hongkong
Acheron	French gunboat	1796	—	—	Captain Lafarriere	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Hongkong
Argus	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Crespin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journel	Saigon
Avalanche	French gunboat	—	—	—		Haiphong
Bengali	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Heron	Haiphong
Bugeaud	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lafevre	Shanghai
Chateaurenault	French cruiser	8018	18	—	Captain V. Poidlone	Chemulpo
Comete	French gunboat	525	—	—	Commandor Louel	Haiphong
Decidée	French gunboat	690	—	—	Commander Guthsell	Saigon
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Le Golleur	Haiphong
Lion	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Bécue	Saigon
Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Captain Arce	Saigon
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Hurst	Shanghai
Pascal	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Captain Soubs	Chemulpo
Redoubtable	French cruiser	9437	8	6071		Saigon
Styx	French cruiser	1796	10	—	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Surprise	French gunboat	629	2	900	Captain Thomas	Hongkong
Takiang	French gunboat	—	—	—		Yangtze
Takou	French destroyer	—	—	—	Lieut. Gaillard	Saigon
Vauban	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Blondel	Along Bay
Vigilant	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Carol	Canton
Vipere	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Saigon
Bussard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. Huss	Shanghai
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	
Geier	German cruiser	1776	15	2960	Comdr. Wuthmann	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6200	34	10,000	Capt. van Semmern	Port Arthur
Hertha	German cruiser	6000	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmann	Shanghai
Iltis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Capt. Baron M.-Hullesem	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Kobe
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Kroencke	Hongkong
Möwe	German gunboat	1529	—	—	Comdr. Fasper	Honolulu
Seeadler	German cruiser	1640	15	2500	Comdr. Hoffmann	Chemulpo
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deimling	
Vorwaerts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. von Weise	Shanghai
Thetis	German cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Elba	Italian cruiser	2730	10	7471		Yokohama
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2427	34	12,000	Captain Ducrme	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4500	24	6820	Captain Zezi	Shanghai
Vettor Pisani	Italian cruiser	6500	18	13,000	Capt. Cafi	Nagasaki
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Diogo de Sa	Macao
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barboza Leal	Macao
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostock
Amaur	Russian cruiser	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Gramatchikoff	Port Arthur
Askold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	—	Capt. Reitzenschtein	Kobe
Bayan	Russian cruiser	7800	10	16,500		Port Arthur
Bayarin	Russian cruiser	3200	6	—		Chemulpo
Bobre	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjeckovitch	Shanghai
Bogatyr	Russian cruiser	6640	12	—		Port Arthur
Diana	Russian cruiser	6731	6	—		Port Arthur
Djighilt	Russian gunboat	1456	3	1700	Capt. Nasarowsky	Shanghai
Guidamak	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Yourieff	Port Arthur
Gremiastohy	Russian gunboat	1400	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarausky	Shanghai
Gromobol	Russian cruiser	12,354	44	14,500	Captain Jossen	Port Arthur
Guiliak	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	Shanghai
Koreetz	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Novakowsky	Chemulpo
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commander Crown	Shanghai
Navarin	Russian battleship	10,206	12	9000		Port Arthur
Novik	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000		
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1400	6	2000	Comdr. Vasilieff	Port Arthur
Pallada	Russian cruiser	6731	12	—		Port Arthur
Peresviet	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Koroleff	Port Arthur
Petropavlovsk	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Jakovloff	Port Arthur
Pobeda	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatzarcieng	Port Arthur
Poltava	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Oseroff	Port Arthur
Rasboynica	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1786	Comdr. Liven	Chemulpo
Retwizan	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,000		Port Arthur
Rossia	Russian protected cruiser	12,200	68	17,000	Captain Sepelrunnipoff	Vladivostock
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	26	13,250	Capt. Matusevich	Masampo
Sevastopol	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Serebrennikoff	Port Arthur
Silatch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Sivootch	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Tsarevitch	Russian battleship	12,902	16	16,300		Port Arthur
Varyag	Russian cruiser	6500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Vesonik	Russian gunboat	500	9	3200	Comdr. Zagorlansky-Kissel	Port Arthur
Zabiyaka	Russian cruiser	1230	15	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Albany	U. S. cruiser	3500	—	—	Capt. J. H. Rodgers	Honolulu
Callao	U. S. cruiser	235	—	—	Lieut. M. L. Miller	Hongkong
Cincinnati	U. S. gunboat	3213	—	—	Capt. H. E. Mason	Honolulu
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1150	—	1600	Captain Denfild	Singapore
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	510	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Comdr. Staunton	Shanghai
*Kentucky	U. S. flagship	11,500	41	10,000	Captain R. M. Berry	Honolulu
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Monocacy	U. S. gunboat	1370	6	650	Comdr. Denfield	Taku
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. W. H. Beehler	Canton
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3437	20	—	Commander Blocklinger	Honolulu
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,288	45	—	Captain Burwell	Kobe
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	1000	—	—	Commander G. L. Dyer	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3213	—	—	Captain Nazaro	Honolulu
Vicksburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	18	1116	Commander Marshall	Chemulpo
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	400	—	—	Lieut. L. C. Bartolette	Shanghai
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1324	Commander U. R. Harris	Hongkong

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General Memoranda.

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11 a.m.—Auction of a very Fine Collection of Japanese Art Curios and Silk Embroideries, &c., at Mr Geo. Lammert's Sales Rooms.
3 p.m.—Auction of Sailing Yacht *Vernon* at Messrs Hughes and Hough's Sales Rooms.

THURSDAY, February 11:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of a fine Assortment of Japanese Curios, &c., at Mr V. I. Remedios' Sales Rooms.
Goods per *Merionethshire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 12:—
5 p.m.—Meeting of Members of Hongkong Cricket Club at Pavilion.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of a number of Valuable Law Books at Mr Geo. Lammert's Sales Rooms.
Goods per *Seydlitz* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Bengloe* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Borneo* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, February 13:—
9.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.
9 p.m.—A. D. C. Performance at the City Hall.
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., at the Registered Offices.
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., at the General Managers' Offices.

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DEATHS.

At 14, Fourth Avenue, Hove, on February 6th, Sir EDWARD ACKROYD, late Puisne Judge, Hongkong.

On the 2nd February, at his residence, 88, Broadway, Shanghai, FEODOR ROBERT ALEXIS DE VILLARD, of Strasbourg; aged 43 years.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 5.15 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1904.

Somaliland.

Captain Ollivant, 5th Mountain Battery, Captain Dent, 1st Leicesters, and Captain F. McLennan, Army Medical Corps, have been selected for duty in Somaliland.

German Ball at Tientsin.

The Imperial Birthday Poudré Ball given by the Germans in Tientsin on the 26th ult. was an immense success. It was held at the Astor House, and although there were fully 400 acceptances, there was no crush.

Another Record Run.

The *N.-C. Daily News* of the 3rd inst. reports:—The M. M. S.S. *Ernest Simons*, which arrived yesterday from Japan, made the run from Kobe to Woosung, nearly 900 miles, in 50 hours, or at the rate of nearly 18 knots, a record voyage.

The Situation at Urga.

According to the *P. and T. Times*, the Imperial Resident at Urga has stated to the Waiwupu that there are 3,000 Cossacks and 2,500 Mongolians in Russian pay posted at Hartokeh in Mongolia. The Chinese troops are not allowed to leave their barracks except unarmed, and the hapless Resident wants to know what he is to do.

The Commissioner of Weihaiwei.

His Excellency Mr J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Commissioner of Weihaiwei, accompanied by Mrs Stewart Lockhart, arrived by the French mail steamer *Ernest Simons* from Shanghai last night. Mr Lockhart, whose appearance is ample testimony to the healthfulness of Weihaiwei, was about town to-day, renewing old friendships.

Liverpool Cathedral.

It was announced on the 4th ult. that Mr H. Douglas Horsfall, a prominent Liverpool Churchman, has given £5000 for the purpose of erecting a reredos in the new Liverpool Cathedral. At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Liverpool Cathedral, a sub-Committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone, which, it was stated, would probably take place in May or June next. The ceremony is to be performed by the King.

The Siberian Railway.

The *N.-C. Daily News*, on the 2nd inst., learned from the office of the Chinese Eastern Railway at Shanghai that no news had been received there confirmatory of Reuter's report from St. Petersburg that commercial traffic on the trans-Siberian railway would be suspended from the 2nd inst. In the event of trouble in Manchuria, Vladivostock will be used as the terminus of the line. The latest Russian arrival from Nagasaki reports all quiet as usual, the only unfavourable symptom being that the Japanese have stopped all exportation of supplies of any kind to Russian ports.

Precautions at Canton.

It is reported from Canton, says the *N.-C. Daily News*, that the high provincial authorities of that city having received information that another attempt will be made on Chinese New Year's Day (16th instant) on the lives of all officials by the Triads, have ordered the troops and military police of Canton city to be on the alert night and day and be prepared for eventualities at any time. It is also reported that some 25,000 troops will stand to arms on the 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th instant, as it is suspected that these are the dates when the Triads intend to make a disturbance in Canton.

Kulangsu Anglo-Chinese College.

Our Amoy correspondent writes on the 5th inst.:—The work of the year in this Institution was brought to a close on January 26, when a number of friends met together in the College Hall to witness the prize distribution, and to hear the report of the masters. The Acting Headmaster, the Rev. A. S. M. Anderson, presided, and Mrs P. W. Pitcher, of the American Reformed Mission, gracefully presented the prizes to the successful competitors. Addresses were given by the Rev. Wm. Macgregor, D.D., the Rev. J. Sadler, and others, and boys sang one or two songs very creditably. About 115 boys have attended the school during the year, and, in spite of the return to England on furlough of the Headmaster, Mr H. Rankin, in July, and the resignation of Mr Gordon Cumming, through ill-health, the work and proficiency of the school have been well maintained. The College will re-open after the Chinese New Year Holidays on March 4.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

'Anti-Bunkum's' letter is held over till to-morrow.

A Masonic Ball will be given in Shanghai on the 10th of March.

The Pope has taken the last step towards the beatification of Joan of Arc.

The Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd., pays a dividend and bonus of 17 per cent for 1903.

After King Edward makes his visit to Ireland this year he will proceed to Wales.

There were 165 European and 78 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, 76 European and 2,559 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ending 7th February.

It would be interesting to know (says the *N.-C. Daily News*) when some decision will be come to with regard to the fate of the two Supao prisoners who are still in custody.

It is reported from Chicago that two daughters of Major Alexander Fair, a retired officer of the British Army, Miss Maria A. Fair and Miss Ellie M. Fair, were among the victims of the fire at the Iroquois Theatre.

Illness of His Honour Mr A. G. Wise.

Owing to the illness of His Honour Mr A. G. Wise, the Summary Jurisdiction Court did not sit to-day.

Disaster on the Congo.

An American Presbyterian missionary steamer on the Upper Congo, while proceeding to Leopoldsville, capsized. A missionary and 23 natives were drowned.

Preservatives in Food.

The Food Test Commission at Washington, appointed by the Government of the United States, declares that the use of salicylic acid in food is seriously injurious to health.

A Silver Honeymoon Trip.

Mr G. W. Palmer, M.P. for Reading, and Mrs Palmer were, on the celebration of their silver wedding, presented with pieces of silver plate by their tenantry and employés at Marlston, near Newbury, and by the members of the Marlston Club. On the 7th ult., Mr and Mrs Palmer were to leave England for India and Japan, and thence round the world *viâ* Vancouver, Canada, and the States.

Hongkong Volunteers.

On Chinese New Year's Day the Hongkong Volunteer Corps will have target practice at Lai-Chi-kok. The result of the last trial shooting at the West of the Island was very satisfactory, Major Pritchard expressing himself as being very pleased with the excellent marksmanship. The fifteen-pounders will be used on Feby. 16, and the corps will have a full day's manœuvring. At the last camp the artillery practice was withdrawn, as it was considered that the men were too inefficient. However, they have now thoroughly vindicated themselves, and can be depended upon to find the target with precision.

Alleged Suicide at the Docks.

Early on Saturday afternoon, the second mate of the s.s. *Perla* went into the cabin of the third mate, Mr Alfred Phillips, and found him lying on the floor. He was bleeding from a wound in the right temple, and was then dead. A six-chambered revolver was lying by his side, one chamber of which had recently been discharged. The police were immediately communicated with, and the body of deceased conveyed to the public mortuary. Deceased was about 40 years of age, and was a native of Scotland. As far as has been ascertained no reason could be assigned for the rash act. The *Perla* was in the dock at Hunghom at the time.

The Late Judge Ackroyd.

We are informed by Dr J. Bell, Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, of the death of his uncle Sir E. J. Ackroyd, Kt. Bach. The deceased was clerk in the Supreme Court, Mauritius, in 1853, and then studied law and was called to the Bar, Middle Temple, in 1871. After filling the position of District and Stipendiary Magistrate, Rivière du Rempart, he was transferred to Hongkong as Registrar of the Supreme Court. During his stay in Hongkong, he twice acted as Attorney General and once as Chief Justice, and was appointed Puisne Judge in 1892. He retired in 1895, and was knighted some time after his retirement on pension. Deceased has been an invalid for some years, and resided at Hove.

Best Treatment.

INFLUENZA is always more or less prevalent at this season of the year. This disease is very similar to a severe cold and if allowed to take its course is liable to cause serious results. The best treatment for influenza is to avoid exposure and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. This medicine gives immediate relief and if used as directed, will ward off all dangerous consequences. It leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

TELEGRAMS.

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SUPPLIED BY REUTER, VIA BOMBAY.

THE 'CORNER' IN COTTON.

WHOLESALE LIQUIDATIONS.

Wild Speculations in Coffee.

LONDON, February 6.

In the New York Cotton Market yesterday, the 'bulls' were overwhelmed by an avalanche of sellers, and the price of Cotton went down with a run. As a consequence, many brokers lost heavily, and enormous liquidations are reported. Wild speculation commenced in Coffee, and still continues.

SOUTH AFRICA.

REDUCTION OF THE GARRISON.

The British Colonial military programme for the present year shows that considerable reduction in the Standing Army in South Africa is proposed.

Nine Infantry and three Cavalry regiments are to be recalled; they will return to England between March and August.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

MR CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON, February 5.

Mr Chamberlain is going for a two-months' trip, it is believed to Egypt.

THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

Reuter's correspondent at Port Arthur wires that the Russian fleet put to sea at dawn on Wednesday, and returned to the anchorage outside the harbour at 4 p.m. yesterday.

A conference of the Elder Statesmen of Japan was held yesterday at which the Emperor was present. It is understood that a decision of the utmost importance was reached.

Russia's reply was forwarded yesterday to Admiral Alexieff, and if approved of by him will be despatched to Tokio where it will arrive on Monday at the latest. The belief prevails in St. Petersburg that Russia does not concede to Japan's demands regarding Manchuria. *The Times* correspondent in St. Petersburg says that the Tsar's hesitation has been overcome, and that Russia makes no concession.

LONDON, February 6.

The *Daily Graphic* says there is no essential change in the tenour of the Russian Note since 29th December. Although conciliatory in tone, Russia firmly declines to accede to the wishes of Japan regarding the integrity of China. The Note makes concessions on other points, but this is the vital issue, and Japan's resolution to reject the terms is unaltered.

[DER OSTASIATISCHE LLOYD SERVICE.]

AN AMUSING RUMOUR.

BERLIN, February 1.

Russia has rejected all the numerous offers made to her by shipbuilders of different countries to sell to her men-of-war which are now being constructed and nearly completed. The report, according to which Russia has offered to the Portuguese Government to buy the Portuguese navy, is stated to be unfounded.

GERMANY AND BELGIUM.

King Leopold of Belgium has left Berlin much satisfied with his visit. As wired before, no political agreements have been made.

THE GERMANS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

H. G. M. S. *Habicht* reports fr Swakopmund: Up to 21st January, railway employés Rok, Kurz, and Spo kamp were killed, when the Germans Okahanja tried to fight their way throu Omaruru was attacked by a large forc rebels on the 27th inst., but the attack repulsed. No news has been received Ojimbingue; the place is probably besi The building of the railway beyond K is being proceeded with, as the rains not as heavy as formerly.

MACEDONIA.

BERLIN, January

Germany has appointed, on the pa of the Reform Powers, Major von en of the Prussian Artillery as assis to the Italian commander of the Mac Gendarmery.

The Royal Visit to Ireland.

The *Tuam Herald* understands that the King will again this Summer the West of Ireland. On this occ his Majesty will most likely stay at more Castle, the present residence of Duke of Manchester. His Majesty will be accompanied by the Queen, who the King, was charmed with the and scenery of Connemara.

THE NEW TRAMWAY.

Work Nearing Completion.

Despite the many delays encountered in the work of laying the rails for the new Tramway, operations have been proceeding satisfactorily. Practically the whole of the permanent way has been laid; what little remains to be done is a small piece near the Gas Works, West Point, Arsenal Street, portion of the Praya East, and a small strip at Taikoo. When these small breaks are bridged over with rails, a complete double line will extend from West Point to Taikoo, with a branch line already completed, to Happy Valley. All the delays in connection with the rail-laying are now overcome, and the remainder of the work will be finished expeditiously.

The rails have all been laid, and are embedded at a depth of between eighteen and twenty-four inches underground.

All the poles to carry the overhead wires have been erected, and the work of placing the wires in position is now being rapidly accomplished. About half the wire has already been hung, and everything is in readiness for the rest.

The Power House at Bowrington Canal is in an advanced stage, being almost completed. The building is finished, and the rails are laid inside. The Power House and car shed are under the same roof, and the Company's Offices are also in the same block. These are finished and are now occupied by the Company's officials.

The Engine House is substantially built, and the engines are partially erected. The car shed is in the centre of the building, and is lighted from the roof and sides. It is a very large and airy room, the floor being covered with a net-work of rails. The cementing of a portion of the floor is all that remains to complete this section of the work. The cars are on their way out from England, and some are expected to arrive here about the end of the current month.

The progress of the work must be considered very satisfactory, when it is taken into consideration that all the work has been done by Chinese, and also that the Company, at the outset, met with so many obstacles, which necessitated the stoppage of portions of the work for long periods. When the trams will be running is still, however, a matter for speculation, but, should the present rate of progress be continued, it cannot be long before the sound of the tram-bell is heard in Queen's Road.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

PARSEE C. v. CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

The Craigengower C.C. defeated the Parsee C.C. on Saturday, by 39 runs. For Craigengower Lammert took 7 wks. for 16 runs, and Brown took 3 for 21; Noria 6 for 28 and Ruttonjee 3 for 46 took the wickets for the Parsees. The scores were as follow:—

PARSEE C.C.

R. B. Coop, st M. E. Asger, b Lammert	1
J. N. Mehta, c Lammert, b Brown	3
H. C. Gotla, c M. E. Asger, b Lammert	1
J. H. Ruttjee, c Rose, b Lammert	0
J. D. Noria, b Brown	15
D. R. Cama, b Lammert	5
J. A. Choy, c Kinnaird, b Lammert	0
P. Bejonjee, c Harteam, b Lammert	2
M. D. Vala, b Lammert	0
K. D. Mistry, b Brown	1
C. B. Mawalla, not out	9
Extras	5
Total	42

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

A. Cowan, b Ruttonjee	23
J. Kinnaird, b Ruttonjee	3
J. Choy, b Noria	8
M. Asger, b Noria	9
L. Rose, run out	2
L. Lammert, b Noria	12
H. Harteam, c and b Noria	3
J. Stuart, c Captain, b Noria	1
F. Rose and b Noria	5
A. Asger, b Ruttonjee	5
Ruttonjee, not out	3
Extras	7
Total	81

CIVIL SERVICE C.C. v. H.K.C.C. RESERVES.

The Hongkong C.C. Reserves defeated the Civil Service C.C. by 38 runs. For the Civil Service Lamble bowled seven for 48, Jackman captured 3 for 37. For the H.K.C.C. Reserves Rutherford took 6 for 20, and F. Lammert 2 for 24, and F. Lammert 2 for 7. The scores were as follow:—

H.K.C.C.

Piper, b Jackman	14
R. Wolff, l.b.w., b Lamble	13
Lieut. C. H. Hickling, not out	25
H. Rutherford, b Jackman	3
Hooper, b Lamble	3
Lieut. Grimble, hit wicket, b Jackman	5
C. Gray, st Robins, b Lamble	1
D. P. Canter, st Robins, b Lamble	7
G. P. Lammert, c Robins, b Lamble	0
F. Lammert, b Lamble	16
P. W. Goldring, l.b.w., b Lamble	1
Extras	5
Total	93

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

G. A. Woodcock, b Rutherford	0
R. C. Witchell, run out	12
Hon. Dr Atkinson, b G. P. Lammert	4
A. G. M. Fletcher, c Piper, b Rutherford	4
P. T. Lamble, c Hickling, b Rutherford	4
J. Doveney, b Rutherford	0
H. T. Jackman, b Rutherford	0
L. E. Brett, b F. Lammert	11
J. Lander, b Rutherford	0
W. H. Woolley, c Piper, b G. P. Lammert	10
F. T. Robins, not out	6
Extras	4
Total	55

H.K.C.C. v. THE NAVY.

This match concluded on Saturday and resulted in a draw, the Navy managing to keep their last wicket up until the call of time. The score stood at nine wickets for 119 (Lt. Garde 27, Rayment 29, Lt. Blair 15, Lt. Garner 15 and Surgeon Horley, not out, 19). At the close the Navy were 115 runs behind with one wicket in hand.

R.E. v. C.P.R.

A team from the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. defeated the Royal Engineers by one run. The Canadian P. Co. made 103 (Oxlade 23, Upton 23, Wynney 15, Phillips 11), while the R. E. made 102 (Whiles 20, Lt. Cheney 20, and Melbourne 10).

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

SHERWOOD FORESTERS v. H.K.F.C.

The Sherwood Foresters defeated the Hongkong Football Club by four goals to nil on Saturday afternoon. The teams were as follow:

H.K.F.C.: Kew, goal; Worcester and Aucott, backs; Gray, Kew and Austen, halves; Williams, Cooper, Bonnar, Robertson and Brent, forwards.

S.F.: Brompton, goal; Walker and Beck, backs; Wilkins, Watson and Jones, halves; Rayner, Godber, Bishop, Burdon and Beresford, forwards.

Referee, Mr Broadbent.

Almost at the start Kew was called upon to defend, which he did successfully.

The Club were again driven back, and Kew again cleared, but shortly afterwards Bishop sent one in for the soldiers. Beresford, from loose play in front of the goal, added another goal. The Club infused more life into the game after that, and Bonnar, Robertson, and Brent were striving hard in the forwards. From a free kick Bishop scored another goal for the Sherwood Foresters.

After half-time the Club were the aggressors, but Brompton's defence stalled them off. They kept to the attack, and almost scored half-a-dozen times, but were driven back each time. The soldiers then carried the ball up field, and Beresford sent a hot one to Kew, which the latter failed to stop. That made the soldiers four goals to nil, and no further scoring was done.

V.R.C. SMOKING CONCERT.

Under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club, a smoking concert was held in the Club gymnasium, Kowloon, on Saturday night. The interior of the building was beautifully decorated with coloured flags and Chinese lanterns, while the stage, with its scenic dressing and footlights flashing, testified to the capable manner in which the arrangements had been carried out by the committee. The programme was of a varied nature, and despite the fact that some of the artistes, whose names appeared on the programme failed to put in an appearance, everything passed off first-rate. Mr Arthur Chapman, Chairman of the Club, occupied the chair, and in his opening remarks, spoke of the hard work attached to the regatta, lately held by the Club, and which passed off so successfully. He said they had gathered here to-night for a different and lighter sort of recreation, which he hoped, would pass off as successfully. The star turn of the evening was, undoubtedly, the unlooked-for appearance of Mr Willie Freear, who happened to be amongst the audience. When the Chairman intimated that Mr Freer had generously consented to oblige them, the rafters of the building shook with the volume of applause. Mr Freear sang four songs (all his own composition) in his well-known characteristic and finished style. We may here mention that Mr Freear has engaged the Club's gymnasium for a concert next Friday night. This concert is, we believe, for the benefit of the Kowloon residents. A special word of thanks is due to the committee for the admirable arrangements made, and also to Mr Harold C. Austen, the Hon. Secretary, on whose shoulders the brunt of the work fell.

The following contributed vocal or instrumental selections:—Messrs M. D. Silas, P. W. Goldring, L. A. de Graca, Burnett, W. W. Pelling, Sgt.-Mjr. Allwork, Bristow and A. Goodwin.

THE FISCAL QUESTION.

Rosebery-Devonshire Coalition Denied.

The report that Lord Rosebery and the Duke of Devonshire had decided to coalesce in order to oppose Mr Chamberlain's fiscal proposals looked so absurd on the face of it that we are not at all surprised to learn that the report was an absolute fiction of the *Pall Mall Gazette*. The report was published in the *Pall Mall Gazette* of the 7th January, and was promptly denied by the Duke of Devonshire, who telegraphed the contradiction on the following day. And so another myth is gone.

Conservatives Repudiate their M.P.'s.

The Central Conservative Council of Ealing has unanimously resolved not to support Lord George Hamilton, the present member, at the next election.

The executive committee of the Conservative Association at Oldham, with one dissentient, has resolved that Mr Winston Churchill, the sitting member, has forfeited its confidence.

Mr Winston Churchill, M.P. (Conservative), replying to a letter from Mr Charles Lawson, of Christchurch, New Zealand, writes that the great principles of British government and finance will prove far more enduring bonds between England and the colonies than tinkering with the tariff and other small contrivances. He regretted that a mob of loud-voiced politicians in Great Britain, and perhaps in New Zealand, were exploiting Imperialism as a means of securing place and power.

Liberal Unionist Organisation.

Jan. 11.—The Duke of Devonshire in October last wrote to Mr Chamberlain respecting the impossibility of advantageously maintaining the Central Liberal Unionist Association owing to divisions caused by his fiscal reform policy.

Mr Chamberlain in his reply expressed astonishment at the contents of the Duke of Devonshire's letter, since the local associations had been always free to decide points outside the immediate party programme.

After a long correspondence, and a futile attempt to arrange harmonious actions Mr Chamberlain announced that he would shortly convene a meeting of the association. He believed that the vast majority of the rank and file of the association would support him. If they did not, he and his supporters would withdraw.

To this the Duke of Devonshire answered last Mr Chamberlain underrated the gravity of the issue he raised. His assumption that men might be content to differ fiscally yet act together was untenable. Many unionists were not prepared to surrender freetrade because at some future time the issue of Home Rule for Ireland might be revived. The differences between Mr Chamberlain and him were not less vital and urgent as questions of practical politics than those which had separated them from Mr Gladstone. If Mr Chamberlain persisted in dividing the Liberal Unionists into sections, the Duke of Devonshire continued, he would resign the presidency of the association.

Mr Chamberlain replied that the resignation of some members need not deprive the association of its representative character.

THE WAR CLOUD.

JAPANESE MINISTER WITHDRAWN FROM ST. PETERSBURG.

HONGKONG, February 8.

Many rumours were in circulation yesterday to the effect that hostilities had begun between Japan and Russia, but nothing of an authentic nature bearing this out, or even to the effect that war had been declared, was received in the Colony up to a late hour this afternoon. It is quite possible, however, that hostilities have started, but the Japanese are wisely keeping a strict control of the telegraph cables, and only business messages, in plain English, Japanese or French, are coming over the wires.

Late yesterday afternoon, the Japanese Consul, Mr Nomi, received confirmation of the rumour that Mr S. Kurino, the Japanese Minister at St. Petersburg, had been withdrawn by his Government. This indicates the end of diplomatic negotiations, and the natural sequence is the movement of warships or troops in such a manner as to constitute a *casus belli*. This will probably occur before there is any formal declaration of war; and it would seem to be now a matter of only a few days till a hostile blow is struck by one of the opposing parties.

In well-informed Japanese circles in the Colony, there seems to be a strong belief that the actual declaration of war will not be made till Thursday next, the 11th inst., but no amount of probing and cross-questioning would reveal the grounds for this belief. It has been decided, we believe, by all the leading Japanese steamship companies to retain their vessels under the Japanese flag. There are several vessels of the Nippon-Yusen Kaisha between England and Hongkong at the present moment. Orders for their movement will, in all probability, be cabled from Japan, but it is generally believed that they will lie up in the respective ports where they are till the whereabouts of hostile cruisers have been ascertained, and will then continue their voyage to Japan. We understand that the *Kumano Maru* has been withdrawn from the Australian Line.

The opinion of well-informed Japanese is that troops are now being transported into Corea, and if this is so, then the first troops to take the field are the Sendai, Hiroshima and Kokura Divisions, 2nd, 5th and 12th of the Japanese Army.

Rumours were freely bruited abroad today that war had been declared; that troops were being despatched from Hongkong to the assistance of Japan; and that the men-of-war were preparing to go to the North. On board the P. and O. Company's *Borneo* was a draft of the Sherwood Foresters bound for the North, but the number was very small, only about 150 men in all, and these were bound for Peking, via Shanghai. At the Headquarters Office there was every appearance of activity; loose kits and rifles were lying about; but all efforts to elicit information proved futile. The *Albion* and the *Vengeance*, battleships, left their mooring for Mirs Bay; where they are bound for from there is matter for speculation. In both Naval and Military circles the utmost secrecy is still preserved regarding the proposed movements of troops or warships.

LATER.

The rumour was current in town this afternoon that the battleships *Albion* and *Vengeance*, which went out in the morning, ostensibly to Mirs Bay, are to meet the two Japanese cruisers now on their way from Singapore to Yokusuka. It is a pretty story,—and it may be true.

RESULTS OF THE WAR SCARE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

AMOY, February 5.

As foreshadowed awhile since, the first steamer of our local Japanese steamship Company, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, to be taken off the run from Hongkong to Foochow, is the *Anping Maru*, which discharged her cargo on Monday last, 1st inst., and sailed direct for Hongkong. The S.S. *Triumph* has been chartered in her place.

War Correspondent Arrested.

A Special Telegram from Tokio to the *N.-C. Daily News*, dated 2nd inst., says:—Mr Jack London, correspondent for the Hearst newspapers, *en route* for Chemulpo, was arrested to-day at Shimonoseki, for taking photographs within the strategical zone, and was escorted to the Kokura Court. He was fined five yen.

Another Ridiculous Story.

The *Singapore Free Press* publishes the following telegram from Chefoo, but takes the wise precaution of appending the initials of its well-known correspondent:—

CHEFOO, Jan 29, 5 p.m.

The Russian steamer *Argun*, proceeding from Nagasaki to Dalny, was fired on with blank ammunition by seven Japanese battleships who then steamed three times round her.

Japan is adopting Russian tactics to force war.

M. O'S.

Supplies in Port Arthur.

A recent arrival from Port Arthur (says the *N.-C. Daily News*) was informed there that the stock of coal there at present is 120,000 tons of Cardiff, and 80,000 of Japanese. There were forty men-of-war in and outside the harbour. The Viceroy has over 100,000 troops under his orders, and 80,000 more are on their way out from Russia via Siberia.

Naval Preparations at Port Arthur.

Tientsin, 26th January.—A foreigner from Port Arthur states that the number of Russian warships there now is thirty. There are also eighteen transports loaded with provisions and munitions of war. The military preparations are being pushed ahead both day and night.

Pessimistic Prospects.

The Tokio correspondent of the *N.-C. Daily News* cabled on the 2nd inst.:—

The news is circulated unofficially that the Japanese Government is awaiting Russia's rejoinder eagerly and impatiently.

The conference of the Elder Statesmen and Cabinet Ministers was not held to-day.

At a Cabinet meeting to-day it was decided that the enhancement of the different taxes should be enforced under parliamentary consent; that is, without resorting to an emergency Imperial ordinance.

Different reports reaching here agree in mentioning Russia's military activity.

The newspapers expect that Russia's answer will be unfavourable, and maintain a pessimistic view of the result.

The Franco-Russian Alliance.

Bizerta, Jan. 2.—A reception was given here to-day by the officers of the Russian vessels on their way to the Far East. A luncheon was served on board the armoured cruiser *Oslabya*, which was superbly decorated for the occasion. Cordial toasts were exchanged. Admiral Wirenius proposed the prolongation of the alliance between France and Russia, and drank to the prosperity of France and M. Loubet. M. Pichon, the French Resident, in reply, requested Admiral Wirenius to transmit to his compatriots and comrades the expression of the unchangeable affection of the French inhabitants of Tunis to Russia. All desired to receive as often as possible the sailors of the allied nation in order to prove their heartfelt regard, their confidence, and their friendship. At three o'clock M. Pichon and a number of other guests went on board the *Dmitri Donski*, where a special reception had been prepared for them.

Russia's Claim to Manchuria.

Cologne, January 2.—The *Cologne Gazette*, reviewing the the Far Eastern situation, says:—Whatever may be said about Russia's incursions into China and her occupation of Manchuria, it cannot be denied that Russia, in her consistent way, has created interests of a political and economic nature which cannot be surrendered except under pressure of iron necessity. The Manchurian position of Russia finds its natural, political, and strategical breastwork in Korea, but, on the other hand, Korea, also forms the foundation of Japan's position, if she will not renounce the influence on the Asiatic Continent which her power and ambition urges her to maintain. There is but little hope that this clashing of interests can be settled otherwise than by an appeal to arms.

Japan Purchases More Cruisers.

London, Jan. 9.—The *Philadelphia Record* states that Japan has secured the option of purchasing the 24-knot Turkish cruiser *Abdul Medjidieh*, 3250 tons, which is being built for Turkey at Messrs Cramp's yard, Philadelphia. Japan offered two and a half million Dollars (£500,000) for the cruiser, outbidding Russia.

[The *Abdul Medjidieh* has a displacement of 3250 tons, and is protected by deck armour 3in. in thickness. Her indicated horse-power is 12,000, and her contract speed is 24 knots. She is to be armed with 2 6in. guns, 8 4.7in. guns, and 12 smaller weapons with two torpedo tubes. The *Abdul Medjidieh* is constructing at Cramp's, Philadelphia, and a sister vessel, the *Abdul Hamid*, is building at Elswick, England.]

Jan. 10.—The *Patrie* (Paris) announces that Japan has purchased from the Argentine Republic the armoured cruisers *Garibaldi*, *Pueyrredon*, *San Martin*, and *General Belgrano*. These cruisers are similar in type to those recently purchased by Japan from the Argentine Republic.

Jan. 11.—Japan recently purchased 1200 Whitehead torpedoes.

[The *Garibaldi* is a steel twin-screw armoured cruiser of 6840 tons displacement. Her speed is 19.9 knots. She cost £681,240. Her principal dimensions are:—Length, 328ft; beam, 59ft 8in; draught, 24ft. Her armament consists of two 10in, ten 6in quickfirers, six 4.7in, ten 2.2in, ten 1.44in, two Maxims. She was launched in 1895. The *Pueyrredon* is a steel twin-screw armoured cruiser of 6882 tons displacement. Her speed is 20.1 knots. Her principal dimensions are:—Length, 328ft; beam, 59ft 8in; draught, 24ft. Her armament consists of two 10in, ten 6in quickfirers, six 4.7in, ten 2.2in, ten 1.44in., two Maxims. She was launched in 1898. The *San Martin* is a steel twin-screw armoured cruisor of 6882 tons displacement. Her speed is 19 knots. She cost £664,600. Her principal dimensions are:—Length, 328ft; beam, 59ft 8in; draught, 24ft. Her armament consists of four 8in, ten 6in quickfirers, six 4.7, twelve 2.2, ten 1.4in, two light guns, two Maxims, She was launched in 1896. The *General Belgrano* is a steel twin-screw armoured cruiser of 7192 tons displacement. Her speed is 20.1 knots. Her principal dimensions are:—Length, 328ft; beam, 59ft 8in; draught, 24ft. Her armament consists of two 10in, fourteen 6in quickfirers, two 3in, ten 2.2in, eight 1.4in, two light guns, two Maxims, She was launched in 1897.]

A London telegram states that the engineers were to complete the equipment of the *Kasuga* and *Nyssin* at sea. A fair proportion of the sailing crew of the cruisers will consist of Canadians and Australians, who had an enthusiastic send-off from Dover on leaving England to join the Japanese vessels.

Corean Neutrality.

Mr Jordan, the British Minister at Seoul, did not 'approve' the Corean declaration of neutrality; he merely acknowledged its receipt, without remark.

Chinese Take Precautions.

Peking letters received here lately report that all officials in the capital who can afford to do so are sending their families to the South owing to the receipt of certain news from Japan of imminent hostilities between that country and Russia, and the consequent forced participation in them of China. It is unhesitatingly believed in Peking that the Russians will try to seize the Chinese capital in order to dominate the Imperial Court, while amongst other hostile movements Russia will attempt the occupation of all Mongolia and Chinese Turkestan the moment China joins Japan.

Advocates for the China-Japan Alliance.

According to the *N.-C. Daily News* the Northern native papers report that in a recent secret joint memorial to the Throne by Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai and Tieh Liang, Vice-President of the Board of War, the memorialists gave five reasons why it would be advantageous to China if she joins Japan in fighting Russia:—(1) The troops of Japan are superior to those of Russia (2) Japan's ambition is in Corea. Should Japan be victorious therefore in her struggle with Russia, the former will not seek to take possession of Manchuria. (3) Chinese troops will learn much to their advantage by constant companionship with the Japanese troops and gain much experience in modern warfare. (4) Chinese and Japanese belong to the same race, and their literature is similar, hence it is much easier to cultivate close relations with each other than with the Russians, and (5) the discipline of the Japanese army is very strict, and if Chinese officers and men fight side by side with them there need be not the least fear of their loyalty to the Throne being tampered with. For these reasons the memorialists strongly urge an offensive and defensive alliance with Japan, as China will gain nothing but untold benefits by the step.

Glasgow Engineers for the Japanese Navy.

The Yorkshire Post of the 4th January says:—

A Glasgow correspondent says a party of Glasgow marine engineers, who some months ago arranged with the Japanese Government to join the Japanese navy in the event of emergency, received official intimation on Saturday to start at once for the Far East. The party number twelve.

The Japanese Legation in London on Saturday threw doubt on the report, and it was stated that the orders to leave for the Far East would have to be transmitted through the Legation. At the same time it was admitted that the report might refer to an engagement entered into between owners and vessels of the Japanese mercantile marine and Glasgow engineers, of which the Legation would not have any cognisance. It was possible that the owners of Japanese vessels which would be placed at the disposal of the Government in the event of hostilities would prefer to have their engineering staff strengthened by the addition of experienced men from the British Mercantile Marine. Having entered into engagements of this description, they probably thought the time had arrived when it was advisable to give them effect.

In spite of this partial disclaimer, the correspondent at Glasgow, in a later message, says the engineers are leaving for Yokohama on an official communication received from the Japanese Government. Japanese officials visited Glasgow six months ago, and provisionally engaged men to join the Japanese Navy should an emergency arise within twelve months. Nothing further was heard till Saturday forenoon, when the official order arrived. Each man receives £500 per annum. Their orders are to sail to-morrow from Liverpool, by the steamship *Lake Erie* to St. John's, New Brunswick, thereafter proceeding overland to Vancouver, and the Canadian Pacific steamship *Empress of Japan* to Yokohama.

SOUTH AFRICAN MEDALS

Presented to Sherwood Foresters.

The King's South African medals were presented to the officers and men of the 1st Battalion of the Sherwood Foresters yesterday morning. The ceremony took place just after Church service on the Parade Ground. Major-General Sir Villiers Hatton, C.B., addressed the troops, and said that a soldier's only reward was a medal, and these they prized highly. The fact that so few officers were killed in the South African war spoke volumes for the conduct of the men, and showed that they required little leading. The names of the officers to receive medals were as follow:—

Officers.—Captain F. J. Radford, Lieut. G. F. de Pledge, Lieut. and Adjutant R. S. Popham, D.S.O., Lieut. M. K. Hodgson, Lieut. and Quartermaster F. Tyler.

THE GAMBLE IN COTTON.

'After the Disease, the Remedy.'

If anything were needed to give proof of of the seriousness of the situation as regards the cotton trade, it would be found in the news of the mass meeting at Manchester, at which manufacturers and mill hands, were equally represented, says the *St. James's Budget*. And if, further, one were inclined to question the pessimist's veracity, the resolutions passed and the way of the voting would be found distressingly convincing. That a unanimous resolution calling on the Government to do something should be passed is not perhaps very strange. But that another, urging an immediate resort to short time, should have been carried by the employers without a protest from the operatives is dreadfully significant. That the men should vote for such a resolution was not to be expected; but that they should refrain from voting against it shows the pass to which matters have come.

Against continual loss of markets and increase of foreign competition the noisy assurances of our Free Import fanatics are but moderately helpful. Facts are stronger than platitudes, and the present crisis in the affairs of the County Palatine is due quite as largely to the loss of our superiority as manufacturers for the world's markets as to the reckless gambling in New York to which many are inclined solely to ascribe their misfortunes. As monopolists we could afford to play with the market. As strugglers in a competition more keen and less limited than that instituted by *The Times* we cannot afford to let the market play with us. That these tears are the direct result of gambling in the price of raw material may be true enough. But it is equally true that the operations of Mr Daniel J. Sully & Co. upon the New York market could not have had so disastrous an effect upon the life of Lancashire, had it not been for years of trade growing leaner and leaner as foreign countries set up their own machinery and became their own manufacturers from the 'seventies onwards.

After the disease, the remedy. And the Manchester meeting was prodigal of curative suggestions. Chief and most promising of these must be counted the pledge to support the efforts of the British Cotton-Growing Association. Too late have British manufacturers realised the importance of drawing our supplies of raw material from within the bounds of Empire, and the benefits which accrue from the work of the British Cotton-Growing Association cannot be enjoyed for several years. Though many parts of the Empire, notably West Africa and Egypt, are admirably suited to the growth of cotton, an agricultural industry takes time for its establishment, and the time lost while we refused to believe that our position as the Whiteley of the civilised world could be challenged is irrevocably gone before. Until we can grow the cotton we require under the British flag it is difficult to see what good purpose is served by another resolution in which the meeting called on the Government 'to take steps to prevent such gambling.' What, in the name of common sense, can the Government do to check the capers of Mr Daniel J. Sully in New York? This resolution is matched by another which 'condemned the prevailing international gambling in American cotton.' Canute's courtiers admonished the insubordinate ocean with as much effect. The representatives of our cotton industry may leave such childish ebullitions alone. Their trust must be put in the development of a British Empire cotton area. While that is growing they will do well to support the men and the policy that will for the future secure our industries, cotton and otherwise, from the fatal results of past folly.

YACHTING COLLISION.

Narrow Escape of the Governor.

During the progress of a race on Saturday Mr C. A. Tomes' yacht *Elspeth* collided with H.E. Mr F. H. May's yacht *Dione*, with such force as to leave the latter in a sinking condition. The *Dione* was headed from the shore, and, fortunately, was beached in time. Luckily, no one was injured by the collision, but extensive damage was done to the *Dione*. An inquiry is to be held into the circumstances surrounding the mishap, but from data to hand it is not clear on whose shoulders the blame lies.

ARTILLERY PRACTICE.

Defensive Operations.

On Saturday last the Indian Artillery at Kowloon indulged in artillery practice near the Saikung Pass, where the targets were moored. Some of the shooting was excellent, and showed the men to be in a good efficient state.

To-day the Indian troops engaged in manœuvres near Junk Bay. Leaving Kowloon in launches they were conveyed to the Bay, and landed there. An attacking party made their way up the hills, and engaged with the defenders, Major-General Villiers Hatton was present and watched the movements of the men. The defence of this portion of the Colony is apparently causing trouble in the minds of the authorities, and they are sparing no pains to complete a, practically, invulnerable defence scheme.

ANTI-FOREIGN MANDARINS.

Trouble Threatens in Fukien.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

AMOY, February 5.

Since the troubles in China four years ago, the Chinese Mandarins in this district have been fairly reasonable beings, willing to do their duty to foreigners and to offer them such protection as might be needed, as well as to protect native Christians from the persecution of their neighbours. During the last few months, however, a different spirit is making itself manifest in some parts, and some of the recent appointments of the present Viceroy of the Fukien Province have been men of the old type with strongly marked anti-foreign proclivities.

As a consequence there is a recrudescence of petty persecution and annoyances that augurs badly for the peace of the district, if this spirit is allowed to grow. One Magistrate, the Prefect of a sub-prefecture, has gone so far as himself to order the cruel flogging of two men, brought before him on false charges, for the sole reason that they confessed themselves to be Christians, for only could they get no redress, but the Magistrate abused them roundly and dismissed the case, after making sure that the beating was done thoroughly.

The people of that district have been quick to take their cue from the chief magistrate, and a good deal of anti-foreign feeling has arisen as a result, which if not checked may lead to further trouble later on.

MADAME CANDUTTI.

Concert at the City Hall.

Lovers of music had, indeed, a treat on Saturday night, when Madame Canduttí made her first appearance in Hongkong. The theatre was full, and the audience testified to their pleasure by the liberal applause unstintingly given. Madame Canduttí was also presented with several floral tributes.

The Philharmonic Orchestra presented two pieces, one from Mozart and one from Mendelssohn, and their rendition was strikingly successful.

Madame Canduttí opened with Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C. Minor, and she proved by her playing that she was an artiste of the first rank. Her audience was not disappointed with her performance. Her programme was a varied one and consisted of selections from all the masters of the piano from Liszt to the more modern composers. Her performances were characterised by great feeling, delicacy of touch, and a perfect command of technique, even in the most difficult octave passages, where no faults could be detected. On her performances Madame Canduttí has proved herself to be the finest pianiste that has ever visited Hongkong.

The other items were also well rendered. Miss Murray Bain was successful in her presentation of 'Tell me, my heart,' and a burst of applause greeted her on its termination. Mrs A. G. Gordon took the house by storm, and was enthusiastically recalled after singing a song of Thanksgiving, her contralto voice being heard to signal advantage.

Mrs A. H. Ough's violin solos were such as to bind the entire audience to her. Her mastery over the instrument was more pronounced on this occasion than it has been before, and her playing must linger as one of the greatest delights of the evening. Mr G. H. Edwards also sang his song in an able manner. Madame Canduttí showed to advantage in two vocal selections, which she interspersed between her pianoforte recitals.

The Orchestra was under the leadership of Mr G. Grimble, who, with Mr A. G. Ward, acted as accompanists in their usual efficient manner. The concert was a most enjoyable one. Madame Canduttí desires to return her thanks to the ladies and gentlemen who so generously assisted her.

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SHOOTING MATCH.

VOLUNTEERS v. NAVAL TEAM.

The return match between H.M.S. *Albion* and the Left half, No. 1 Company, H.K.V.A., took place at the Tai Hang Range on Saturday last, and resulted in a victory for the Volunteers by 31 points. Good shooting was difficult, due to the strong wind. Below are the scores.

H. M. S. 'ALBION.'

	200	400	500	Total.
Kerman, Po. 1. ...	29	30	25	84
Gayler, L. S. ...	26	27	27	80
Lieut. Jones ...	25	29	26	80
Smith, L. S. ...	26	30	28	79
Verrion, C. Po....	22	27	22	71
Green, S.M. ...	26	27	15	68
Feirn, Po. 2. ...	21	21	24	66
Hattley, L. S. ...	25	19	18	62
Total				590

VOLUNTEERS.

Sergt. Penning ...	29	30	30	79
Gun. Penning ...	34	28	27	70
Bom. Hedge... ...	29	27	25	81
Gun. Longstaff ...	22	32	22	76
Gun. Hodges ...	33	26	16	75
Bom. Cameron ...	27	25	20	72
Sergt. Ormsby ...	26	25	19	70
Gun. Strike... ...	25	24	20	69
Total				621

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report, dated 5th February, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—

Owing to the rise in freights, there has been a good demand for shares in steamship Companies, more especially Indo-Chinas which show a marked advance on the previous week's quotation.

Banks.—There has been no movement in Hongkong and Shanghai Banks, the quotation remaining unaltered at $645. The London rate is also unchanged at £92. Nationals are wanted at $33 ex the dividend of $2 paid on the 1st instant.

Marine Insurances.—We have heard of no transactions in stocks under this heading. China Traders are enquired for at $50, and North Chinas have dropped to Tls. 67.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fires continue in demand and have jumped to $305. China Fires have been placed at $92.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have again been dealt in at $31½ but close quieter at $31. Indo-Chinas have had a substantial rise and sales at advancing rates up to $79½ have taken place. An extensive business on time has also been done, and as high as $84 has been paid for July. In Shanghai, shares are in demand at Tls. 55 cash. China and Manilas have been bought at $20 and $20½. Douglas Steamships have enquiries at the further improved rate of $34. Star Ferries can be had at $30 for the old, and at $19 for the new shares. Shell Transports remain in request at £1.

Refineries.—China Sugars have been sold at $105. Luzons have sellers at $10.

Mining.—Raubs are steady at $6. The crushing for four weeks ending the 3rd instant resulted in 600 ounces smelted gold from 2400 tons. Chinese Engineering have hardened, and are asked for at Tls. 6.20.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have receded to $2·8, and shares may probably be obtained at the figure. Fanhams have further strengthened, and business at Tls. 125 has been transacted. Kowloon Wharfs have again been negotiated and more shares are wanted at $95. There are buyers of Kongkew Wharfs at Tls. 200. New Amoy Docks are on offer at $38.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have found investors at $156. Shanghai Lands have advanced to Tls. 112, at which rate shares have changed hands. West Points are easier at $55, while Kowloon Lands keep firm with buyers at $35. Hongkong Hotels have changed hands to $146. Astor House Hotels have been sold at $20 and Hotel des Colonies at Tls. 14. Sales of Humphreys' Estate have been effected at $11½. China Providents keep steady at $9.

Cotton Mills.—There is nothing doing in Cotton Mills.

Cigar Companies.—Further sales of Sumatras at Tls. 52 are reported in Shanghai.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been disposed of at $25½ and more shares are offering. China-Borneos are wanted at $8½, and A. S. Watsons have been booked at $14½. Electrics can be placed at $12 (old) and $6 (new). Geo. Fenwicks are in request at $51. Hongkong Ices are quoted at $240. Langkats have improved their position and shares have changed hands at Tls. 3·0.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy

LOOSENS the cough, relieves the lungs, and opens the secretions. It counteracts any tendency of a bad cold to result in pneumonia. It is unequalled for bad colds.

The time to cure it is when it is merely a 'bad cold.' Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is highly recommended by the leading physicians for this malady. It always cures, and cures quickly. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

To-day's Advertisements

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship HAILOONG, Captain GIBSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, 9th inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *OLYMPIA*.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., LTD., *Agents.*

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 264

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THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB WILL GIVE FOUR PERFORMANCES OF THE COMIC OPERA 'HIS EXCELLENCY,' Written by W. S. Gilbert, Music composed by Dr. Edmund Carr, on

SATURDAY, 13th February.
THURSDAY, 18th "
FRIDAY, 19th "
SATURDAY, 20th "

Commencing each Evening at 9 P.M. precisely.

Dress Circle	$3
Stalls	3
Pit Stalls	2
Pit	1

No HALF PRICE.

Tickets can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, City Hall, on and after MONDAY, February 8, at 10 A.M.

Booking Office will be opened daily from that date from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Late Trams will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the curtain.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 167

TO PIGEON FANCIERS.

THE Entire Stock of PRIZE ENGLISH HOMERS, etc., the property of Ex-Sergt. MacSwayed, to be sold cheap to clear.

Particulars from INSPR. MACDONALD, Yau-Ma-Ti.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 255

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1904.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY (OFF-DAY). 23RD, 24TH, 25TH AND 27TH FEBRUARY.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs KELLY & WALSH, LD., or at the Gate. Price, $7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or $3 per day.

Tickets for the Off-day, $2.

No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH, *Clerk of the Course.*

Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 206

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th instant.

A Stand and an Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which will be sent out with the Members' Tickets after MONDAY, 15th Inst.

All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.

T. F. HOUGH, *Clerk of the Course.*

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACE-COURSE during the Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had on application to the Undersigned between MONDAY, 15th, and SATURDAY, 20th Inst.

T. F. HOUGH, *Clerk of the Course.*

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 268

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell, by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 11th February, 1904, at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, QUEEN'S ROAD,—

A FINE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS,

FINE ART SATSUMA, FINE CLOISONNE SILVER CLOISONNE, BRONZES, LACQUERED WARE, VASES, TEA-SETS, OIL PICTURES and ALBUMS.

EMBROIDERIES and HANDSOME EMBROIDERED SCREENS,

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS, *Auctioneer.*

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 263

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship *Andalusia*, Capt. G. SCHMIDT, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th February, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 262

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE named :—

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
LONDON, &c.	*Malta* C. L. DANIEL	Noon, 13th February.	*See Special Advertisement*
SHANGHAI	*Ballarat* C. P. LONGDEN	About 13th February.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP, VIA S'PORE, P'ANG, CL'BO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES	*Palermo* E. G. ANDREWS	About 17th February.	Freight only.
Y'AMA, VIA S'HAI, MOJI & KOBE (passing through the INLAND SEA).	*Java* S. BARCHAM	About 23rd February.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 26

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.
S.S. *Alesia*, Capt. SCHONFELDT, 9th February, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
S.S. *C. Ferd Laeisz*, Capt. SACHS, 20th February, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.
S.S. *Simona*, Capt. BUDDENHAGEN, 2nd March, 1904. Freight.

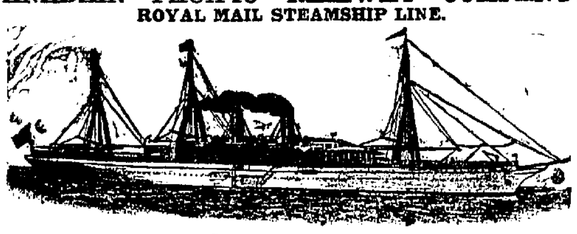
FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
S.S. *Sumbar*, Capt. STEVENS, 22nd March, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.
S.S. *Andalusia*, Capt. V. DOREN, 5th April, 1904. Freight.

For further particulars, apply to

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1569 *Queen's Buildings, No. 1.*

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R.M.S. *EMPRESS OF INDIA*	6000 TONS	WEDNESDAY, Feb.	10, 1904.
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R.M.S. *EMPRESS OF JAPAN*	6000 TONS	WEDNESDAY, Mar.	9.
R.M.S. *EMPRESS OF CHINA*	6000 TONS	WEDNESDAY, Mar.	30.
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D. E. BROWN, *General Agent,*
Hongkong, January 27, 1904 PEDDER STREET. 4

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, *via* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA; FOR **PORTLAND, OREGON,**

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STEAMSHIP.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	HONGKONG.
INDRAPURA	4899	A. E. Hollingsworth	February 13, 1904
INDRASAMHA	5197	W. E. Craven	March 15, 1904

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Points. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
Hongkong, January 11, 1904. 3



OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING—
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW AND AMOY,	*TRIUMPH*, A. HANSEN,	SUNDAY, 14th February, at 10 a.m.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified Doctor is carried.

By the Co.'s Steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yangtsze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s local Branch Office, at No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, *Manager.*
Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 2579

Shipping.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PAKLING	12th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	IDOMENEUS	20th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	AGAMEMNON	22nd February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	MENELAUS	27th February.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	RHIPEUS	4th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	MACHAON	5th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TELEMACHUS	12th March.

The S.S. PAKLING left Singapore on 7th inst. Daylight, and is due here on 13th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	16th February.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KERMUN	22nd February.
LONDON AND ANTWERP	MOYUNE	1st March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	15th March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AJAX	20th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	29th March.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA N'KI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AGAMEMNON	24th February.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
CEUB AND ILOILO	WUCHANG *	9th February.
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	CHANGSHA	10th February.
MANILA	KANSU *	10th February.
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	TSINAN †‡ *	12th February.

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Hongkong, February 8, 1904 *AGENTS.*

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates, 1904.
GERA	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Mar.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG *	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
BAYERN	THURSDAY, 26th May.
SACHSEN	THURSDAY, 9th June.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of February, 1904, at NOON, the Steamship GERA, of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain DAHL, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 15th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m., on TUESDAY, the 15th February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 15th February.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

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VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA
VIA
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail.
OLYMPIA *	2837	A. Dixon	February 13.
SHAWMUT	9606	W. M. Smith	February 19.
TACOMA *	2812	M. Ridley	February 26.
VICTORIA *	3502	J. Trunbridge	March 16.
TREMONT	9606	T. W. Garlick	March 25.
OLYMPIA *	2837	A. Dixon	April 27.

* Have no second class accommodation. † Cargo only.

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S.S. TREMONT	9606 tons	Capt. T. W. Garlick	About 1st March.
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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	Feb. 13, at 10 a.m.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct	Feb. 20, at 10 a.m.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Notley	—	—

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 2245

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TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE
FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, WASH.,
(VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA).

THE Company's Steamship AKI MARU, Captain J. W. EKSTRAND, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA, *Manager.*
Hongkong, February 1, 1904. 210

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship SUISANG, Captain JAMES YOUNG, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 12th inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., *General Managers.*
Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 256

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *MALTA*, Captain C. L. DANIEL, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 13th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement, will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *vid* Bombay with TRANSHIPMENT.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, *Superintendent.*
Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 222

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

	To Sail.	1904.
MACDUFF	"	March 1.

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Hongkong, January 22, 1903. 110

MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

J. TREVOUX & CO.

HONGKONG-CANTON NIGHTLY SERVICE.

THE Commodious Steamer *PAUL BEAU* Will make her maiden trip to Canton, on THURSDAY, the 4th Instant, taking Passengers and Cargo as usual, and will shortly be followed by the Steamer *CHARLES HARDOUIN*.

These two magnificent and up-to-date Steamers, lighted with electricity, will leave the Company's Wharf at foot of QUEEN'S STREET, Praya West,

Hongkong, nightly for Canton, at 9 P.M. (except Saturdays).

Canton, nightly to Hongkong, at 5 P.M. (except Sundays).

The Saloon is under European supervision.

First-class European	$8.00
Second-class European	$3.00
First-class Chinese	$1.50
Second-class Chinese	50
Deck	30

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M. LANDOLT, *Agent,*
The Pharmacy, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, February 3, 1904. 223

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship AUSTRALIEN, Captain GUIGUES, will be despatched for the above ports on or about TUESDAY, the 9th inst.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*
Hongkong, February 4, 1904. 219

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX;
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Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*
Hongkong, January 29, 1904. 197

FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND TSINGTAU.

THE Steamship ANDALUSIA, Captain G. SCHMIDT, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 10th inst., at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 220

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For information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co., *Agents,*
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Hongkong, January 25, 1904. 170

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*
Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 96

Notices to Consignees.

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Co.'s Steamship *Arcot*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. To-day, the 8th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *General Managers.*
Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 264

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BENGLOE.*

FROM LEITH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 13th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*
Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 225

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER *BORNEO.*

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 p.m. To-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 12th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, *Superintendent.*
Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 255

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Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Suisang*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon, the 8th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE MATHESON, & CO., *General Managers*.

Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 253

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship *SEYDLITZ*, OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 12th February, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 12th February, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 17th February, 1904, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., *Agents*.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 244

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, HAMBURG AND LONDON

THE Steamship MERIONETHSHIRE, Captain G. C. CUNDY, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD. at KOWLOON and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 250

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Hongkong, June 20, 1903. 1537

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Hongkong, March 14, 1903. 563

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Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 117

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E. W. BUTTER, *Manager*.

Hongkong, August 13, 1903. 1270

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TARO HODSUMI, *Manager*.

Hongkong, September 11, 1903. 589

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EVAN JORMISTON, *Manager*.

Hongkong, May 25, 1903. 234

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PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000
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J. R. M. SMITH, *Chief Manager*.

Hongkong, January 25, 1904. 356

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J. R. M. SMITH, *Chief Manager*.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1517

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E. F. GROS, *Acting Manager*.

Hongkong, December 1, 1902. 1364

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H. FIGGE, *Manager*.

Hongkong, September 1, 1903 296

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CHARLES R. SCOTT, *Manager*

Hongkong, December 12, 1903. 161

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S. SHIGENAGA, *Manager*.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904. 216

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,, Breast,—Ngau Lam ,,	...	... ,,	13
,, Soup,—Tong Yuk	...	... ,,	13
,, Steak,—Ngan Yuk Pa	...	... ,,	17
,, ,, —Cutom Ngau Lau Sirloin		... ,,	26
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,, ,, corned—Ham Ngau Li		,,	55
,, Head,—Ngau Tau	...	... ,,	55
,, Heart,—Ngau Sum	...	... lb.	9
,, Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin		... ,,	14
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,, Kidneys,—Ngau Yiu	...	... ,,	8
,, Tail—Ngau Mei	...	... ,,	16
,, Liver,—Ngau Con	...	... lb.	9
,, Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To		... ,,	5
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kak,		set	75
Mutton Chop,—Yeung Pai Kw		... lb.	24
,, Leg,—Yeung Pei	...	... ,,	24
,, Shoulder,—Yeung Shau	...	... ,,	22
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi chong	...	... ,,	7
,, Brains—Chi Know	...	per set	2
,, Feet,—Chi Kerk	...	... ,,	12
,, Fry,—Chi Chak	...	... ,,	12
,, Head,—Chi Tau	...	... ,,	13
,, Heart,—Chi Sum	...	... each	9
,, Kidneys,—Chi Yiu	...	... ,,	6
,, Liver,—Chi Con	...	... lb.	24
Pork, Chop,—Chi Pai Kwat	...	... ,,	18
,, Corned,—Ham Chu Yuk	...	... ,,	18
,, Leg,—Chu Pei	...	... ,,	22
,, Fat or Lard,—Chu Yau	...	... ,,	18
Sheeps' Head and Feet,—Yeung Tau K		rk set	55
,, Heart,—Yeung Sum	...	each	6
,, Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	...	,,	9
,, Liver,—Yeung Con	...	... lb.	22
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai		... ,,	16
Suet, Beef,—Sang Ngau Yau	...	... ,,	17
,, Mutton,—Sang Yeung Yau	...	... ,,	20
Veal,—Ngau Chai Yuk	...	... ,,	18
,, Sausages,—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong	...	... ,,	15

Poultry.

		lb	
Chicken,—Kai Chai	...	...	27
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Ka.	...	...	33
			24
Ducks,—Ap	...	...	15
Doves,—Pan Kau	...	each	20
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	...	per dozen	34
Fowls, Canton.—Kai	...	...	58
,, Hainan,—Hoi Nam Kai	...	... ,,	22
Geese,—Ngoi	...	pair	$1.40
Geese, Wild Sh'ai,—S'hai Yer Ngoi,		each	$3.50
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	...	,,	50
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai	...	... ,,	55
Partridge,—Che Khoo	...	pair	$1.35
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	...	each	30
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	...	,,	26
,, Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup		... ,,	18
Quail,—Um-Chun	...	each	
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheuk	...	dozen	22
Snipe,—Sa-C	...	...	60
Turkeys, Cock Phor Kai Kung	...	...	45
,, Hen, ,, ,, Na	...	...	
Wild Ducks, S'hai,—Shanghai Sui-ap		pair	$1.20
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai,	...	...	48
Wild Ducks, Canton,—Sang Shing Sui Ap		ea.	35

Fish.

		lb	
Barbel,—Ka Yu	...	...	14
Bream,—Bin Yu	...	...	15
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Ho Sin Yu		...	16
Carp,—Li Yu	...	...	11
Catfish,—Chik Yu	...	...	14
Codfish,—Mun Yu	...	...	16
Crabs,—Hai	...	...	12
Cuttle Fish,—Muk yu	...	...	9
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu	...	...	11
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun	...	...	9
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa	...	...	15
Eels, Congor. Hai Mann	...	...	14
,, Fresh water,—Tam Siu Yu	...	...	24
Eels, Yellow, —Wong Sin	...	...	28
Frogs,—Tien Kai	...	...	60
Garoupa,—Sek Pan	...	...	12
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu	...	...	18
Herrings,—Tso Pak	...	...	20
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Yu	...	...	12
Labrus,—Wong Fa Yu	...	...	10
Loach,—Wu Yu	...	...	20
Lobsters,—Lung Ha	...	...	15
Mackerel,—Chi Yu	...	...	24
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu	...	...	18
Mullet,—Chai Yu	...	...	20
Oysters,—Sang Hoo	...	...	16
Parrotfish,—Kai Kung Yu	...	...	15
Perch,—Tau Loo	...	...	14
Pike,—Fa Paw Poong	...	...	16
Plaice,—Pan Yu	...	...	22
Pomfret, Black,—Hak Chong	...	...	28
Pomfret, White, Pak Chong	...	...	40
Prawns,—Ming Ha	...	...	8
Ray —Pai Pa S	...	...	17
Rock Fish.—Sek Kau Kung	...	...	11
Roach,—Chun Yu	...	...	

		lb	
Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu	...	...	28
Shark,—Sa Yu	...	...	9
Skate,—Po Yu	...	...	10
Shrimps,—Ha—	...	...	28
Snapper,—Lap Yu	...	...	24
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu	...	...	22
Tench,—Wan Yu	...	...	14
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	...	...	20
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kerk Yu	...		50
White Bait,—Ngan Yu C	...	...	—

Fruits.

Almonds,—Hung Yan	...	...	20
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Kho			15
,, (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Khor			—
,, Small,—Hoi Tong	...	...	—
,, Custard,—Fan Lai Chi	...	...each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing Heung Chiu	...	...	3
Bananas, (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu			—
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Foong Lut	...	...	10
Carambola,—Yeung Tuo	...	...	—
Cocoanuts,—Yeh Tsz	...	...each	8
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	...	...	7
,, America—Kum San Ning Moon	...	,,	5
Lichees, Dried—Lai Chi Con	...	...	15
,, Fresh— ,,	...	...	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	...		7
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong	...	...each	—
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong	...	... ,,	—
Man osteens,—San Chuk Tsz	...	dozen	—
Oranges, (Canton)—San Shing Tim Chang			5
,, Small,—Tai Kut	...	...	5
Olives,—Pak Lam	...	...	8
Pears, (American),—Kam San Shut Li	...		—
,, (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Li	...		—
,, (Shanghai),—Sheung Hai L.	...		15
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	...	...	10
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie	...	...	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Sheung Poon Ti Paw Law	...	each	8
,, 2nd cooking—Chung-tang-paw-law		,,	—
Plantains,—Tai Chéu	...	...	2
Plums,—Swatow Hung Lai	...	...	—
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	...	... ,,	10
Walnuts,—Hop Tuo	...	...	12
,, Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	...	...	—

Vegetables, &c.

		lb	
Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung Hai Ah Chi Cheuk	...	...	4
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Ta			7
,, (French), Shanghai.—Sheung Hai Pin Tau	...	...	—
,, Sprout,—Ah Choi	...	...	2
,, Long,—Tau Kok	...	...	—
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	...	each	2
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuen Ker	...		—
,, Red,—Hung Ker	...	...	4
Brassica,—Pak Choi	...	...	2
Bamboo Shoots,—Cheuk Shun	...	...	8
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	...		2
Cabbage Root,—Kai Lan Tau	...	each	2
Cabbage, (Shanghai).—Yeh Choi	...	,,	9
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kau Shun	...	,,	2
Cauliflower, Large size,—Tai Yok Choi-fa		each	16
,, Medium size,—Cheung Yeh Cho-fa		,,	12
,, Small size,—Sai Yeh Choi Fa	...	,,	8
Carrots,—Kam Shun	...	...	5
Celery, Chinese,—Tong Kan Choi	...		3
,, English,—Yeung ,,	...	...	6
,, White,—Pak ,, ,,	...	...	8
Chillies Dried,—Con Lai Chi	...	...	18
,, Red,—Hung Fa ,,	...	...	14
,, Green,—Ching Lat Chiu	...	...	9
Curry Stuff, English, 'Ka Lee Choi Liu		...	6
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa	...	...	—
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	...	...	—
Garlic,—Suen Tau	...	...	5
Ginger, young,—Sun Tsz Keung	...	...	4
,, old,—Lo Keung	...	...	5
Horse Radish, S'hai—Lik Kan	...	...	18
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai	...	...	piece
Lettuce,—Yeung Sang Choi	...	...	each
Water Chesnuts,—Ma Tai	...	...	4
,, Mandarin.—Kwei Lum MaTai,	...		5
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho	...	...	—
Onions, Bombay,—Young Ching au	...		8
,, Green,—Sang Chung ,,	...	...	3
,, Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Chung Tau		...	—
,, Japan,—Yu Poon	...	...	—
Okroes,—Mo Ker	...	...	—
Parsley, English,—Young Un Sai		per Bundle	1
Green Peas,—Ching Tau	...	...	5
Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu	...	...	3
,, Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Shu Tsai		...	—
,, Japan,—Yut Poon Shu Tsai		...	5
,, American,—Fa Ki ,,	...	...	—
,, Foochow,—Fuk Chau au Tsai		...	4
,, Macao,—Oh Moon ,,		...	4
Pumpkin,—Toong Kwa	...	...	2
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	...	Josan	2
Shalots,—Con Chung Tau	...	...	6
Spinage, (Chinese)—Paw Choi	...	...	2
Spinach,—Yin Choi	...	...	—
Tomatoes,—Fan Ker	...	...	5
Taro,—Wu Tau	...	...	3
Turnips, Punti, (Long),—Low Pak	...		2
,, English,—Yeung Low Pak		piece	3
Vegetable Marrow,—Chih Kwa	...	...	—
Water Cresses,—Sai Yeung Choi	...	...	5
,, Caltrops,—Lan Kok	...	...	—
,, Lily root,—Lin Ngau	...	...	—
Yams,—Ta Shu	...	...	3

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

February 6.

Kansu, British str., 1,142, W. Baddeley, Manila Feb. 3, Hemp.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Capri, Italian str., 2,718, G. Belsito, Bombay Jan. 17, and Singapore 29, General.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongwan I, British steamer, 2,060, R. Pentney, Singapore Jan. 28, and Hoihow Feb. 5, General.—CHINESE.

February 7.

Radnorshire, British str., 1,889, C. Burch, Japan and Shanghai Feb. 3, General.—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

Hailoong, British str., 783, S. Gibson, Swatow February 6, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Michael Jebsen, German steamer, 710, A. P. Uldrup, Haiphong Feb. 2, and Hoihow 6, General.—JEBSEN & Co.

Daigi Maru, Japanese steamer, 846, T. W. Graves, Tamsui, via Amoy and Swatow Feb. 6, General.—OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

Murex, British str., 2,329, Holliday, Palembang Jan. 17, and Swatow Feb 6, Oil.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Canton, British str., 1,110, L. A. Muir, Chinkiang Feb. 3, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Nestor, British str., 2,386, W. C. Lycett, Shanghai Feb. 3, General. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hsin-chi, Chinese str., 1,385, Klopfer, Shanghai February 4, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Haimun, British steamer, 636, W. E. Passmore, Tamsui February 4, and Amoy 5, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

M. Struve, German str., 966, P. Brandt, Haiphong Feb. 4, and Hoihow 6, General. A. R. MARTY.

Ernest Simons, French str., 2,162, Charbonnel, Yokohama January 29, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

February 8.

Alesia, German str., 3,364, Schonfeldt, Shanghai February 4, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Madeleine Rickmers, German str., 1,020, T. Sanders, Bangkok January 31, Rice.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Andalusia, German steamer, 3,477, G. Schmidt, Hamburg and Singapore Jan. 31, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hoihao, French steamer, 509, Caste, Pakhoi and Hoihow Feb. 7, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Tjilatjap, Dutch str., 2,475, H. Koops, Macassar Jan. 31, General.—HOTZ & JACOB & Co.

Zafiro, British str., 1,611, R. Rodger, Manila February 6, General.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Olympia, American str., 2,837, A. Dixon, Tacoma, via Kobe and Moji February 2, General.—DODWELL & Co., Ld.

DEPARTURES.

February 6.

Centurion, British cruiser, for Mirs Bay.

February 7.

Maidzuru Maru, for Swatow.
Haitan, for Swatow.
Bourbon, for Saigon.
Hailan, for Hoihow.
Aki Maru, for Kobe.

February 8.

Vengeance, British battleship, for Mirs Bay.
Albion, British battleship, for Mirs Bay.
Hsin chi, for Canton.
Sabine Rickmers, for Amoy.
Hansa, for Singapore.
Avoca, for Amoy.
Borneo, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Kennebec, for Shanghai.
Tungshing, for Swatow.
Kwangse, for Ningpo.
Radnorshire, for Singapore and London.
Hongwan I, for Amoy.
Canton, for Canton
Nestor, for Singapore and London.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Kansu*, from Manila. Mr O. Pedersen, Mr A. Canning, and 19 Chinese.

Per *Hsin-chi*, from Shanghai, Mrs C. F. S. Maundrell and child, Messrs Bidwell, Hamlyn, Levey, and 27 Chinese.

Per *M. Struve*, from Haiphong, &c., Mr Newton and family.

Per *Ernest Simons*, for Hongkong: from Yokohama, Lieut. H. G. Leopold, Messrs J. P. H. Giri, Takagi, Fukui, Ito, and Guidote; from Kobe, Mr Midzushima; from Shanghai, H.E. and Mrs J. H. Stewart-Lockhart, child and amah, Mr J. M. d'Almeida, Lieut. Rauz, Mr C. C. do Remedios, Mr Meurer, Mrs W. Allanson, 2 children and servant, Messrs W. E. Kent, L. Boutinon and servant, J. Hunt, L. Knox, M. Tackey, E. Fornoni and servant, Antonio M. Ferras, R. Las, M. Muir, Mr A. J. d'Almeida, child and amah, Mr and Mrs N. J. Pettican, Messrs D. Negris and Galinoea. For Saigon: from Kobe, Mr Katayama; from Shanghai, Mrs Douro, and Mr Peterson. For Batavia: from Shanghai, Mrs Gallet. For Singapore: from Yokohama, Mr Nakagawa; from Kobe, Mrs Mitzutami, Miss Iketami, Mrs Tsuriyama, and Mr Yao; from Shanghai, Mrs R. Feneik, Mrs Nocomoso Suje, Mrs Nocomoso Teyo, Messrs J. Moose, Bassoarvat, and Nocomoso Yose. For Colombo: from Shanghai, Mr G. Staphira. For Port Said: from Kobe, Mr Tabbats. For Marseilles: from Yokohama, Mr and Mrs C. E. Moore, Mr and Mrs Tracey and child, and Mr Sabatie; from Kobe, Messrs Fevre, G. Strathfird, Rowlands, Burns, Nagasse, McDonald, J. Hodder, McDonald, Smith, Parkinson, Andres, Underwood, Mann, Leavy, Wezott, Robertson, McAllister, H. Lang, McLean, Murray, Parker, McKay, Anderson, Cooper, Brown and Thompson; from Shanghai, Messrs Paul Jourdan, A. Gonnaud, Delestaing, Campbell, Muller, Torfs, Holtz, Outrequin, Hubert, and Kelly

Per *Daigi Maru*, from Tamsui, Messrs Best and O. F. Koi.

DEPARTED.

Per *Rubi*, for Manila, Mrs H. Lynn, Mrs M. A. Sawyer, Mr and Mrs T. W. Allen, Mr and Mrs E. P. Boyd, Mrs John Sweeney, Mrs L. Krauskoff, Mrs C. W. Clark, Mrs Victor Blue, Master John Stuart Blue, Mrs J. Tompkins, Master R. B. Tompkins, Mrs Tozer, Misses M. L. Audrey, Emilia Muscat, Carolina Moreno, Carmin Earnshaw, E. R. Dezengrenel, Martha Boyd and Boyd, Messrs M. Earnshaw, R. Earnshaw, Manuel Dadivas, J. Muscat, J. Moreno, S. Olsen, A. H. Howard, O. B. Stump, H. B. Sullivan, Loch Trevor, Wm. O. Lockhead, L. M. Bishop, Oskar Sonnenschein, Baxter Sweeney, J. F. Promfield, B. Williams, W. A. Lamont, John A. Brien, Holland Gardiner, J. A. McGuffin, Byron Stevens, A. P. Taylor, L. D. Rockwood, John A. Devina, Geo. C. Sellner, C. P. Witt, H. G. Harold, L. Hay, L. Leoden, F. Yamato, L. Chewest, L. G. Reinburg, Thos. Fletcher, J. Sinclair, O. F. Fisher, J. Montaner, S. E. Stowb, R. Mather, F. S. Cairns, H. Ito, C. S. Quincio, G. Quien and U. Quinate.

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SHIPPING REPORTS

The British steamer *Haimun* reports: Tamsui to Amoy, fresh N.E'ly wind and moderate sea, overcast and hazy Amoy to Hongkong, fresh to moderate N.E. and E'ly wind, moderate to smooth sea, overcast and hazy, some rain. Steamers in Amoy: *Triumph* and *Haichang*.

The British steamer *Nestor* reports: From Shanghai Feb. 3rd, moderate monsoon and fine clear weather throughout.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Hailoong*, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February.

For SWATOW & BANGKOK.—
Per *Andree Rickmers*, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February.

For CEBU & ILOILO.—
Per *Wuchang*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Choysang*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE.—
Per *Changsha*, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 10th February.

For YOKOHAMA, KOBE & TSINTAU.
Per *Andalusia*, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 10th February.

For MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO.—
Per *Kansu*, at 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 10th February.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Ernest Simons* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 9th Feb., with Mails to the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
Registration at 10 a.m.
Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.
Letters at 11 a.m.
Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes, in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of India* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 10th February with Mails, for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
Registration at 10 a.m.
(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
Letters at 11 a.m.
(Supplementary Mail on board up to the times fixed for the departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Temperature.

HONGKONG, February 8, 1904.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	...	30.10
Do.	1 P.M.	...	30.06
Do.	4 P.M.	...	30.02
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	...	61
Do.	1 P.M.	...	65
Do.	4 P.M.	...	66
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.		54
Do. Do.	1 P.M.		55
Do. Do.	4 P.M.		55
Do. Maximum		...	60
Do. Minimum over night			59

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Officer
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Pedder's Wharf.
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Names.	Anchorage.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Alesia	3 c	Schonfeldt	Ger. str.	3364	Feb. 8	Hamburg-Amerika Linie		
Andalusia	k w	Schmidt	Ger. str.	3477	Feb. 8	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	Y'hama & Tsintau	Feb. 10.
Andree Rickmers	3 c	Kohn	Ger. str.	1020	Feb. 3	Butterfield & Swire	Swatow & Bangkok	Feb. 9.
Avoca	3 c	Fausset	British str.	3410	Feb. 5	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Amoy & Rangoon	Feb. 8.
Bengloe	k w	Potter	British str.	1832	Feb. 6	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Benledi	8 c	Clark	British str.	1482	Feb. 3	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Borneo	....	Muhle	Ger. str.	1017	Jan. 27	Melchers & Co.	....	Cos'tan Dock
Borneo	k w	Gordon	British str.	4672	Feb. 6	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Canton	4 c	Muir	British str.	1210	Feb. 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Capri	k w	Belsito	Ital. str.	2718	Feb. 6	Carlowitz & Co.		
Changsha	3 c	Moore	British str.	1463	Feb. 6	Butterfield & Swire	Yokohama & Kobe	Feb. 10.
Charles Hardouin	3 c	Lauvage	French str.	909	Jan. 15	Order		
Chinhua	8 c	Robertson	British str.	1348	Jan. 30	Butterfield & Swire		
Choysang	3 c	Roope	British str.	1242	Feb. 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	Feb. 9.
Daigi Maru	3 c	Groves	Japan. str.	846	Feb. 8	Osaka Shosen Kaisha		
Empress of India	4 c	Marshall	British str.	3003	Jan. 19	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Feb. 10.
Ernest Simons	5 c	Charbonnel	French str.	2126	Feb. 7	Messageries Maritimes	Europe, &c.	Feb. 9.
Fausang	9 c	Mitchell	British str.	1410	Feb. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Germanius	8 c	Behrmann	Ger. str.	2595	Feb. 3	Order		
Hailoong	5 h	Gibson	British str.	783	Feb. 7	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow and Tamsui	Feb. 9.
Haimun	5 h	Passmore	British str.	636	Feb. 7	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Hangchow	4 c	Mawley	British str.	999	Jan. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Hangsang	3 c	Wilde	British str.	1356	Feb. 2	Jardine, Mathesen & Co.		
Hansa	8 c	Weidlich	Ger. str.	1262	Feb. 5	Order		
Helene Rickmers	....	Rebblemend	Ger. str.	397	Jan. 13	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Hoihao	3 c	Caste	French str.	509	Feb. 8	A. R. Marty		
Hounslow	8 c	Adshead	British str.	2860	Feb. 5	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Hue	....	Godinau	French str.	705	Feb. 2	A. R. Marty	....	K'loon Dock
Kaifong	3 c	Pennefather	British str.	1024	Feb. 2	Butterfield & Swire		
Kansu	3 c	Baddeley	British str.	1142	Feb. 6	Butterfield & Swire	Manila & Iloilo	Feb. 10.
Koh-si-chang	3 c	Spieson	Ger. str.	1291	Feb. 6	Melchers & Co.		
Kwangse	3 c	Harris	British str.	1248	Feb. 6	Butterfield & Swire		
Kwangtah	2 h	Lunt	Chi. str.	1536	Feb. 5	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Loksang	3 c	Johns	British str.	989	Jan. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Lothian	3 c	Williamson	British str.	4959	Jan. 24	China Commercial S. Co., Ld		
Lydia	....	Girstenbran	Ger. str.	1772	Feb. 1	Hamburg-Amerika Linie	....	Cos'tan Dock
Madeleine Rickmers	3 c	Sanders	Ger. str.	1020	Feb. 8	Butterfield & Swire		
Michael Jebsen	3 c	Uldrup	Ger. str.	710	Feb. 7	Jebsen & Co.		
M. Struve	9 c	Brandt	Ger. str.	960	Feb. 7	A. R. Marty		
Nestor	5 c	Lycett	British str.	2368	Feb. 7	Butterfield & Swire		
Olympia	4 c	Dixon	Amer. str.	2837	Feb. 8	Dodwell & Co., Limited.		
Phu-yen	3 c	Thomas	French str.	1298	Feb. 3	Bradley & Co.		
Perla	....	Notley	British str.	1284	Jan. 9	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	....	A'deen Dock
Phra Chom Klao	3 c	Reimers	Ger. str.	1011	Jan. 30	Butterfield & Swire		
Radnorshire	3 c	Burch	British str.	1889	Feb. 7	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Siberia	3 c	Smith	Amer. str.	11284	Feb. 3	P. M. S. S. Co.	S'hai & San F'cisco	Feb. 13.
Suisang	4 c	Young	British str.	1766	Feb. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sungkiang	....	Robinson	British str.	1021	Feb. 1	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Tartar	....	Evans	British str.	2768	Dec. 16	C. P. R. Co.	....	Cos'tan Dock
Tayabas	3 c	Casanovas	Amer. str.	121	Feb. 3	A. R. Marty		
Tritos	....	Kraft	Ger. str.	1088	Jan. 15	Siemssen & Co.	....	Cos'tan Dock
Tsintau	3 c	Koch	Ger. str.	1002	Feb. 1	Butterfield & Swire		
Tungshing	3 c	Selby	British str.	1148	Feb. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Volga	3 c	Pattie	British str.	2851	Feb. 4	Dodwell & Co., Limited		
Wuchang	4 c	Finlayson	British str.	801	Feb. 3	Butterfield & Swire	Cebu & Iloilo	Feb. 9.
Yuensang	5 c	Rolfe	British str.	1128	Feb. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Sailing Vessels.								
Grosvenor	2 c	....	Brit. bqe.	516	June 13	Order		
Lothair	2 c	Schiaffino	Ital. bqe.	794	Jan. 12	Carlowitz & Co.		
Palgrave	2 k	Coutts	B. 4-m. bk.	3076	Dec. 21	Standard Oil Co.		

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL

[SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.]

Volga, Jan. 5; *Formosa*, *Silesia* (Aus.), *Hyson*, *Fiume*, *Indrawadi*, *Linan*, *Salfordia*, 12; *Achilles*, *Eidsvold*, *Marburg*, *Menzell*, 15; *Sambia*, 19; *Agamemnon*, *Prometheus*, *Salazie*, *Indrani*, *Ertria*, *Glenlogan*, January 22; *Aragonia*, *Bingo Maru*, *Java*, *Ardandearg*, *Manila*, *Fooshing*, *Roon*, 26; *Wakasa Maru*, *Kiautchou*, *Glenroy*, 29; *Laos*, *Menelaus*, *Sydney*, *Bencleuch*, *Brisgavia*, Feb uary 2; *Ceylon*, *Glenturret*, *Machaon*, *Saxonia*, *St. Nicholas*, *Fiberius*, *Franz Ferdinand*, *Willowdene*, 5.

Mails.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Australien* with the FRENCH MAIL of the 8th January, left Saigon on Saturday, the 6th Feb., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 9th February. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on December 8.

The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Coptic*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, left Yokohama on Thursday, the 4th February, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 12th Feb.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver on Monday afternoon, the 25th January for Hongkong, via the usual Ports of Call.

The P. M. S. S. *Korea*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila on the 4th Feb.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Ballaarat* with the ENGLISH MAIL of the 15th January, left Singapore on Sunday, the 7th Feb., at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 13th Feb. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 15th December.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. *Roon* carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 19th January, left Colombo on Sunday morning, the 7th February, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 18th Feb.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Athenian* left Yokohama on Saturday afternoon, the 6th February, for Victoria and Vancouver.

Steamers Expected.

The H. A. L. steamer *Bamberg*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on afternoon of 2nd February, and may be expected here on or about the 9th February.

The Indo-China S. N. Co. Ld.'s s.s *Namsang* left Calcutta for this port via The Straits on 30th January, and may be expected here on or about the 10th February.

The s.s. *Mogul* left Singapore for Hongkong, via Manila, on 30th January.

The Java-China-Japan-Lijn steamer *Tjipanas* left Moji via Amoy for this port on the 4th February, and may be expected here on or about the 11th February.

The P. & A. Co.'s steamer *Indrapura* arrived at Yokohama on January 27th, and is expected to arrive in Hongkong about February 12th.

The E. & A. steamer *Eastern*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin for this port (via Timor and Manila), and is due here on or about the 17th Feb.

The O. S. S. Co's s.s. *Tydeus* should leave Pacific Coast for this port, via Japan, on the 18th February.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Tacoma* has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for Hongkong on 5th February.

The C. C. Co.'s s.s. *Chinguo* left Tacoma on the 12th January, for Moji and Hongkong.

The s.s. *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the morning of 3rd February.

The O. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Oanfa* left Victoria, B.C., on 16th January for Yokohama, Kobe and Hongkong.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peleus* left Victoria, B.C., on the 30th January, for this port via Japan.

Latest Advices.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Inaba Maru* left Singapore for this port on the 5th Feb., at 2 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on the 10th Feb.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, February 8, 1904.

On London—	
Bank, Wire,	...1/9 15/16
„ On demand,	...1/10
„ 30 days' sight,	...1/10 1/16
4 months' sight,	...1/10¼
Credits, 4 „ „	...1/10⅜
Documentary, 4 months' sight,	...1/10½
On Paris—	
On demand,	... 230½
Credits, 4 months sight,	... 234
On Berlin—	
On Demand,	... 187½
On New York—	
On demand,	... 44⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight,	... 45¼
On Bombay—	
Wire,	... 135¼
On demand,	... 135½
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	... 135¼
On demand,	... 135½
On Singapore—	
On demand,	... Nom.
On Manila—	
On demand,	.. Nom.
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	... 70¾
30 days' sight, (private paper)	... 71⅛
On Yokohama—	
On demand,	... 90½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	...$58
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	...$10.90
Silver (per oz.)	...25⅛

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 8th at 11.45 a. The barometer has fallen generally, except over S. China.

A depression appears to be moving Eastwards over the Sea of Japan, and pressure is also low over the Pacific between Luzon and the Loochoos.

A high pressure area lies over central China.

Gradients are rather steep with very strong monsoon in the Formosa Channel and China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N. winds; fine.

Nine Epidemics.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic and Diarrhœa Remedy has been used in nine epidemics of dysentery with perfect success, effecting a cure in the most severe and dangerous cases. If troubled with diarrhœa or bowel complaints, try it once and see how you like it. From all over the world come words of praise for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy. It has a world-wide reputation for its cures of dysentery and diarrhœa. No family can afford to be without it, as it is especially valuable for children. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

7th February.—AT 4 P.M.

Station.	Hours.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
Wl'ostock	2 p.	30.02	28	—	S	1	o
Nemuro	,,	30.12	—	—	W	2	—
Hakodate	,,	30.21	—	—	NE	2	—
Tokio	,,	30.26	—	—	SE	4	—
Kochi	,,	30.07	—	—	E	0	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.11	—	—	NW	4	—
Kagoshima	,,	30.07	—	—	W	4	—
Oshima	,,	30.08	—	—	N	6	—
Naha	,,	30.15	—	—	N	6	—
Ishi'jima	,,	30.05	—	—	E	6	—
Taihoku	1 p.	30.07	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu	,,	29.98	—	—	N	6	—
Tainan	,,	30.10	—	—	NE	6	—
Koshun	,,	30.00	—	—	NE	6	—
Pescadores	,,	30.01	—	—	NE	10	—
Weihaiwei	3 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	,,	30.29	45	68	N	2	cv
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.12	58	56	E	5	o
Amoy	2.30p.	30.15	70	48	NE	2	o
Swatow	3 p.	30.10	65	—	ESE	2	c
Canton	,,	—	75	81	NE	3	o
Hongkong	4 p.	30.05	67	64	—	0	o
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	NW	1	—
Gap Rock	,,	30.03	—	—	NE	3	—
Macao	,,	30.02	70	—	NE	1	o
Haiphong	,,	30.07	70	—	NE	1	o
Manila	,,	29.80	88	54	SE	2	b
Bacolod	3 p.	—	—	—	N	5	b
Iloilo	,,	29.79	81	—	ENE	3	b
Cebu	,,	29.84	83	—	N	3	c
C. S. James	4 p.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8th February.—AT 10 A.M.							
Wl'ostock	7 a.	29.76	22	—	—	0	o
Nemuro	6 a.	30.12	—	—	SE	4	—
Hakodate	,,	29.89	—	—	SE	4	—
Tokio	,,	30.02	—	—	—	0	—
Kochi	,,	29.91	—	—	NE	2	—
Nagasaki	,,	30.07	—	—	N	4	—
Kagoshima	,,	30.03	—	—	NE	2	—
Oshima	,,	30.00	—	—	SE	2	—
Naha	,,	30.01	—	—	N	2	—
Ishi'jima	,,	29.97	—	—	N	2	—
Taihoku	5 a.	30.11	—	—	—	0	—
Taichu	,,	29.99	—	—	N	2	—
Tainan	,,	29.93	—	—	N	6	—
Koshun	,,	29.97	—	—	NE	4	—
Pescadores	,,	30.04	—	—	NE	10	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.	30.17	35	—	W	2	—
Gutzlaff	,,	30.26	45	76	NW	1	cm
Sharp Pk.	,,	30.23	51	86	WNW	2	od
Amoy	6.30a.	30.15	54	87	NNE	2	o
Swatow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong	10 a.	30.21	62	43	N	1	b
Vict. Peak	,,	—	—	—	NNW	4	—
Gap Rock	,,	30.19	—	—	NNW	5	—
Macao	,,	30.19	56	—	N	2	o
Haiphong	,,	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	,,	29.88	82	76	WSW	2	c
Bacolod	9 a.	—	—	—	NNE	3	b
Iloilo	,,	29.85	—	—	NNE	2	o
Cebu	,,	29.90	82	—	N	2	—
C. S. James	10 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

F. G. FIGG, *First Assistant.*
Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 8, 1904.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—*At Kowloon.* H.I.G.M.S. Mowe, H.M.S. Glory, Tartar, Ellen Rickmers, Lydia, Sungkiang, Hansa, Hue, Kaifong, H.M.S. Whiting, Yuensang, Tak Hing.
Cosmopolitan.—Borneo, Tritos.
Aberdeen.—Changsha.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bremen, &c.	Gera (s)	Melchers & Co.	February 17.
Bremen, &c.	Seydlitz (s)	Melchers & Co.	March 2.
Bremen, &c.	Roon (s)	Melchers & Co.	March 16.
Cebu & Iloilo	Wuchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 9.
Genoa, Mar'les L'pool	Koomun (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 22.
Havre and Hamburg	Alesia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	February 9.
Havre and Hamburg.	C. Fred. Laeisz	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	February 20.
London, &c.	Malta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 13, at Noon.
London, Ams'dam &c.	Palermo (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 17.
London & Antwerp	Kintuck (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 16.
London & Antwerp	Moyune (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 1.
London & Antwerp	Glaucus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 15.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Feb. 13, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Feb. 20, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 1.
Manila, Aus'lian Ports	Empire (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Feb. 19, at Noon.
Manila	Kansu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 10
Manila, A'lian Ports	Tainan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 12.
Marseilles via Saigon	Ernest Simons (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Feb. 9, at 1 p.m.
NewYork v. SuezCanal	Macduff (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 1.
Shanghai	Ballaarat (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 13.
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Australien (s)	Messageries Maritimes	About Feb. 9.
S'hai and Portland, Or.	Indrapura (s)	Portland & Asiatic S. Co.	February 13.
Moji and Portland, Or.	Indrasamha (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	March 15.
S'pore, Java Ports, &c.	Tjipanas (s)	China H'land T'ing Co.	1st half of Feb.
S'pore, P'ang, R'goon	Gisela (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	February 23, p.m.
S'pore, P'ang Calcutta	Suisang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Feb. 12, at 2 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy, Foochow	Triumph (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Feb. 14, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Hailoong (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Feb. 9, at 10 a.m.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	February 10.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Tartar (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	February 24.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	March 9.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Aki Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 9, at 4 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Olympia (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 13.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Shawmut (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 19.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tacoma (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 26.
Yma, S'hai, Moji, Kobe	Java (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 23.
Y'hama, Kobe & Ts'tau	Andalusia (s)	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	Feb. 10, Daylight.
Yokohama & Kobe	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 10.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

February 8, 1904.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	$642½, sales; London, £61.10.0
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	$33, ex div., buyers
	29,955	£ 10	£ 8	$33, ex div., buyers
Do. Founders' shares	750	£ 1	£ 1	$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$175, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$56, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	Tls. 67, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 100	$490, sellers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$135
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	20	$92, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	50	$305, buyers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ld.	50,000	$ 50	all	$208, sales
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$51, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	$ 6¼	$ 6¼	$38, sellers
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co. Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 127, sellers
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 50	$ 50	$20½, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$35, buyers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$31, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$80, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$30, sellers
	10,000	$ 10	$ 5	$19, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,000,000	£ 1	£ 1	20/6, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	£ 10	£ 10	£10, Nominal
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ld.	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 36, sellers
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 49, sellers
do. Preference.	100,000			Tls. 45, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	a	$105, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$ 100	a	$10, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld.	7,000	Tls. 50	T 50	Tls. 50, sales
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	$ 50	all	$95, sales & buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 200, buyers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	100	$150, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ld.	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 112, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	30	$35½, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ld	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls.25	Tls. 10, sales
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	$ 10	all	$11½, sales & sellers
	50,000	$ 10	$ 2½	$2.50, sales
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 50	$55, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	[illegible]	all	$300
MINING.				
New Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 11	$ 11	$1, sellers
" " Preference shares	30,000	$ 1	all	25 cents
Société Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$600, sellers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	18/10	$6, sellers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	$ 50	all	$140, sales
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin)	2,000	T.Tls.50	Tls.50	Tls. 150, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$29, sales
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.	60,000	$ 10	all	$14½, sales
Watkins Limited	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$7½ buyers
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£ 10	all	$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls.50	Tls. 112, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$ 10	$ 10	$12½, sellers
New Electrics (new issue)	30,000	$ 10	$ 5	$7, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$25½, sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	8,604	£ 12/6	£12/6	$5, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000 ordy	$ 10	$ 4	$9
	100 fdrs	$ 10	$ 10	$210, buyers
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,000	$ 10	$ 10	$15½, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	$ 7½	all	$12½, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$240, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£ 20	£ 20	Tls. 425
Tebrau Planting Company, Ltd.	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	nominal
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 50	all	$145, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	[illegible]	$ 10	$ 10	$15½, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 33, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls.75	Tls. 25
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 35
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls500	Tls. 170
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co. Ld.	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9, sales & sellers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	$ 12	$ 12	$8½
Campbell Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	40
Wm. Powell, Ld.	12,000	$ 10	$ 10	$9½, sales & buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ld.	1,200	$ 50	$ 50	$50
The Canton-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited	70,000	$ 10	$ 10	$10, Nominal
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ld.	67,500	$ 10	$ 10	$10, buyers
Alhambra Limited	300	$ 500	$ 500	$200

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Par

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